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### MOTE.

This part contains an account of the stamps of the so-called "Phulkian" States; Patiala, Nabha and Jhind. The order of precedence of the three States is as noted above. The order adopted in this book is merely alphabetical and happens exactly to reverse the correct precedence. These States are historically interesting on account of their unswerving loyalty to the British crown, in reward for which they still enjoy many highly prized privileges which are denied to other and larger States.

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Page 56.

Add after No. 150;-

14. N BHA. SAME WATERMARK.

151 | I rupee carmine and green

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Add after No. 60:-

4(a). ISTATE. WATERMARKED ELEPHANT'S HEAD.

60 (a) | 4 annas green

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Add after No. 74:-

10. Distance of 1½ millimètres between the two words of surcharge.

WATERMARKED ELEPHANT'S HEAD.

75 | 4 annas green

The errors on p. 100 numbered 227-232 inclusive and those on p. 106 numbered 306-310 have turned out to be due merely to a deficiency of ink. They should, therefore, be cancelled.

It has since been ascertained that at least one sheet of the half anna ordinary Jhind with the curved surcharge was passed through the press upside-down, so that each pane has 119 copies of the error and only one of the correct surcharge.

### Chapter V.

### JHIND.

Ruling Chief—His Highness Raja-i-Rajgan, Raja Ranbir Singh Bahadur, Farzand-i-Dilband, Rusikh-ul-itikad-i-Daulat-i-Inglishia.

HEAD OF POST OFFICE-Sirdar Shamsher Singh.

AREA—1,268 square miles.

POPULATION-284,560.

DATE OF EXECUTION OF CONVENTION—1ST JULY 1885.

J HIND is the second of the Cis-Sutlej Sikh States with which we have to deal. It is about twice the size of Faridkot. Its modern capital, Sangrur, is a fine, well built town with about 9,000 inhabitants. The State is composed of six districts situated apart from one another among British and Patiala territory.

Like Faridkot, it had a primitive postal system of its own before it adopted our methods. The stamps issued for use under the old régime were "home-made" and are now used for court fee and receipt purposes only, with the exception of the ½ anna stamp, which is obsolete.

It is in the case of Jhind that we first meet with the curved vertical surcharge, of which more will be said in the chapter on Patiala. This surcharge takes the form of a rough ellipse, consisting of the words "Jhind" and "State" both reading upwards. The curves are not uniform, and the length of the surcharge varies inversely with the length of

the minor axis of the ellipse. Measuring the surcharge in a straight line from the extreme bottom to the extreme top, the variation in length will be found to amount in some cases to as much as \( \frac{3}{4} \) millimètre.

Besides this curved surcharge we find the following applied horizontally in two parallel lines:—

JEEND STATE ... in red.

Ditto ... in black.

JHIND STATE ... in red.

Ditto ... in black.

Each of these three varieties is found with the additional horizontal "Service" surcharge.

The measurements of the various surcharges are as follows:—

### (1) Curved.

JHIND ... about ...  $9\frac{1}{2} \times 1\frac{3}{4}$  millimètres. State ... do. ...  $10 \times 1\frac{3}{4}$  ,, Service ...  $8\frac{1}{2} \times 1\frac{3}{4}$  ,,

### (2) JEEND.

JEEND ...  $10\frac{1}{2} \times 2$  millimètres. STATE ...  $7\frac{3}{4} \times 2$  ,, SERVICE ...  $10\frac{1}{2} \times 2$  ,,

Interval between

"JEEND" and "STATE" ... 1

### (3) JHIND (horizontal.)

JHIND... $10 \times 2$  millimètres.STATE... $7\frac{3}{4} \times 2$ ...SERVICE... $10\frac{1}{2} \times 2$ ...

Interval between

"JHIND" and "STATE" ... 1 ,,

The Jhind Durbar at first desired to have its stamps overprinted with the State arms as well as with the name, and proofs of such a stamp appear to have been made. The design was, however, too cramped, and the expense of surcharging would have been very great, so that this design was abandoned.

The following is a list of the various printings:-

## (1) NOVEMBER 1884, SUPPLIED TO THE STATE ON 1ST JULY 1885.

		ORDINARY S	TAMPS.		
½ anna					24,240
1 ,,		•••	•••		3,360
2 annas		T			6,240
4 ,, (gree 8 ,,	en)	•••	,		1,600
8 ,,		***	•••		480
1 rupee (gre	ey)		10.	•••	480
		SERVICE ST	AMPS.		
$\frac{1}{2}$ anna	•••			***	96,240
1 ,,	010		000	***	240,240
2 annas	•••	•••	1.6	•••	3,120

### This is the curved surcharge issue.

### (2) March and June 1885.

		ORDINARY ST	CAMPS.		
$\frac{1}{2}$ anna					720
1 ,,			1		720
2 annas	***		***		720
4 ,, (green)			***	•••	960
8 ,,	•••		•••		720
1 rupee	•••	•••	•••		720
		SERVICE ST.	AMPS.		
½ anna		•••			720
1 ,,			•••	***	720
2 annas				***	720

### This is the "JEEND" surcharge issue.

The papers as to this issue are missing in the records of the Director General of the Post Office and of the Superintendent of Stamps, Calcutta. I have, however, ascertained from the old records of the Superintendent, Government Central Press that the printing was made in March and June 1885 and consisted of four sheets each of the  $\frac{1}{2}$  anna, 1 anna and 2 annas; and two sheets each of the 4 annas, 8 annas and 1 rupee values. I have, therefore, assumed that half of the supply of the three lowest values was for "Service" purposes. To this quantity has to be added a sheet of each kind supplied to the office of the Director General of the Post Office.

The change in spelling appears to have arisen from an indent for "Postal Notes" made in the end of November 1884 (after the first batch of stamps had been printed) by the Comptroller, Post Office, in which the name of the State was spelled "JEEND." After some postal notes had been printed in this way, the Superintendent of Stamps apparently noticed the new spelling, for on 30th July 1885 he wired as follows to the Director General of the Post Office:—

"Comptroller, Post Office, has directed Press to overprint " $J_{\rm EEND}$  on postal notes. Your instructions are Jhind.

"Please wire which spelling is to be followed."

On the 31st July the following reply was sent:—
"The spelling is JHIND."

We accordingly find that the next batch of Postal Notes went out with the ordinary spelling. But in the meantime the second printing of the postage stamps appears to have been made, and the spelling adopted was naturally that which the Press had had prescribed for their use at the time. It is unfortunate that no fuller details as to the number printed of this variety are available.

### (3) JUNE OR JULY 1886. ORDINARY STAMPS.

½ anna				• • •	32,000
1 ,,					24,000
2 annas					8,000
4 ,, (gre	een)				8,000
8 ,,			***		2,000
1 rupee (g	rey)	•••	•••	•••	1,000

			SERVICE ST.	AMPS.		
$\frac{1}{2}$	anna				•••	32,000
1	,,					Some very small
						number not known.
2	annas	-	00			16,000
2	annas				***	10,000
A	fter	this da	te all su	rcharg	jes w	ere in
			black on	nly.		
		(4)	JANUARY	y 1888.		
		(	ORDINARY ST	TAMPS.		
$\frac{1}{2}$	anna	•••				3,000
			SERVICE ST.	AMPS.		
$\frac{1}{2}$	anna					2,000
		(	5) June	1888		
		(	ORDINARY ST	TAMPS.		
$\frac{1}{2}$	anna					93,000
			SERVICE STA	AMPS.		
$\frac{1}{2}$	anna					62,000
		(6)	) August	1891.		
		(	ORDINARY ST	AMPS.		
10	anna					16,080
1	,,					24,240
2	annas					12,240
3	,,					3,620
4	,.	(olive)				6,240
6	,,					2,100
8	,,		- 4.	•••	4	3,360
1	rupee	(grey)				2,400
			(7) T	1000		
			7) July			
			SERVICE STA	MPS.		
4	annas	(olive)				12,500
8	,,		•••	•••	•••	4,100

	(8)	DECEMB	ER 1893.		
	0	RDINARY S	TAMPS.		
3 annas	101				480
		SERVICE ST			
	,	SERVICE ST	AMPS.		
½ anna					24,000
2 annas				***	1,920
	(9	) July	1897.		
	OF	DINARY ST	ramps.		
					0.000
1½ annas	•••				2,880 2,880
3 ,,	•••		•••		2,240
10	•••				1,440
2 rupees					288
3 ,,					192
5 ,,			•••		192
		SERVICE ST	'AMPS.		
		5211111011 52			00 100
½ anna	•••	100		•••	32,160
1 rupee (cu	arrent ty	pe)	•••		720
	(10)	JANUA	RY 1897.		
	0	RDINARY S	TAMPS.		
0					240
2 annas	**		•••		240
	(11)	Остов	ER 1897.		
	0	RDINARY S	TAMPS		
11					4,800
$\frac{1\frac{1}{2}}{2}$ annas					4,800
9 "					4,800
6 ,,					3,200
8 ,,		•••			1,200
12 ,,					2,400
1 rupee (cur	rrent typ	oe)		•	2,400
		SERVICE ST	TAMPS.		
1 anna					48,000
2 annas					24,000
4 ,,					4,800
8 ,,			•••		4,800
1 rupee (cu	rrent typ				1,440
		0 000	1 .C 41.	0 0	7 -

The State's indent for 960 each of the 2, 3, and 5 rupees stamps was, at the same time, cancelled.

The following is a list of the total number of stamps issued in each variety:—

### (1) CURVED VERTICAL SURCHARGE.

		ORDINARY	STAMPS.		
$\frac{1}{2}$ anna					24,240
1 ,,	***		•••		3,360
2 annas	••	•••	•••	•••	6,240
0	green)			•••	1,600 480
1 rupee (	grev)	AFERT I	arkina te	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	480
	0 07		Total		26 400
					36,400
1		SERVICE S	TAMPS.		- 00 0 10
$\frac{1}{2}$ anna	• •	The state of		•••	96,240 $240,240$
2 annas			•••		3,120
			Total		
	0 11			•••	339,600
	Grand to	otal of var	iety (1)	•••	<b>376</b> ,000
(2)	"JEE	ND" ho	rizontally	in re	ed.
		ORDINARY		,	
1/2 anna			OZAMIO.		. 720
2 annas					720
,, (	green)	191	100	••	. 960
1 rupee (	grey)	•••			. 720
			Total		3,120
		SERVICE S	TAMPS.		
½ anna	•••	727			. 720
2 annas	•••				. 720
			Total		1,440
	Grand	total of var	riety (2)	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	4,560
(3)	"JEEN	ID" hor	izontally	in blo	ick.
		RDINARY S			
l anna			JIAMIS.		720
8 annas		•••		•••	720
			Total		1,440
		SERVICE S	TAMPS.		
1 anna	•••			*	. 720
			Total		720
		A SECTION OF THE SECT		Ag.	
	Grand	total of var	riety (3)		2,160

### (4) "JHIND" horizontally in red.

### ORDINARY STAMPS.

2 4 1	annas	(green)	•••		***	32,000 8,000 8,000 1,000
				Total		49,000
			SERVICE	STAMPS.		
$2^{\frac{1}{2}}$	anna annas					32,000 16,000
				Total		48,000
		Grand t	otal of var	riety (4)	•••	97,000

### (5) "JHIND" horizontally in black.

### ORDINARY STAMPS.

1/2	anna	•••				112,080
1	"	•••	•••			48,240
11	17		•••			7,680
1½ 2 3 4 6 8	"					17,280
3	29	•••	•••	***		11,780
4	,,	(olive)			• • • •	6,240
6	,,		Mar - Transition			7,540
	,,	•••		***	••	6,560
12	99	***	•••	•••		4,840
1 1	rupe	e (grey)	•••	•••	•••	2,400
	,,	(current	type)		•••	2,400
2	rupe	es	•••	•••		288
2 3 5	,,,				•••	192
5	,,,	•••	•••	•••	•••	192
				Total		227,712
			SERVICE S	TAMPS.		
$\frac{1}{2}$	anna					168,160

1/2	anna	•••	 		168,160
1	,,		 * ***		
2	annas		 	•••	25,920
4	,,		 •••		17,300
8	.,		 •••		8,900
1		current	,,,		2,160
				-	

Total 212,440

Grand Total (up to date) of variety (5) ... 440,152

The total number of adhesives issued so far for Jhind is thus 317,672 ordinary and 602,200 service, in all 919,872. Of this number well over half are of the  $\frac{1}{2}$  anna value, nearly 83 per cent are of the  $\frac{1}{2}$  anna and 1 anna values; while these with the 2 annas value account for over 91 per cent of the whole—a good honest record.

It will be observed that the 9 pies stamp has never been surcharged for this State, and that no "fancy values" have been used for Service purposes. It is also worth noticing that the grey rupee stamp has not been surcharged in the current variety for service purposes. I have listed the 1 anna so surcharged, because I have seen undoubtedly genuine copies of it, and of the Jeind error in this value. The stamp has, however, as far as my researches go, never been indented for, and it is probable that the few copies in existence are from a sheet or two accidentally surcharged "Service." As a matter of fact, the 1 anna service stamp of the 1884 (curved) issue is still current in Jhind, and no other variety has been heard of there.

With the single exception of this 1 anna service stamp, all stamps of the first four varieties are now obsolete. Of the fifth variety, all except the (grey) one rupee and the 2, 3, and 5 rupees stamps are still current.

In estimating the comparative rarity of the stamps of Jhind, if we calculate rarity merely on the numbers printed, the rarest stamps should be :—

<sup>1.</sup>  $\begin{cases} 3 \text{ rupees} & \text{ordinary.} \\ 5 & ,, \end{cases}$ 

<sup>2. 2 ,, ,,</sup> 

3.	(8	annas o	rdinary	7		curve	ed surcharge.
	1	rupee	,,			"	- 11
	$\frac{1}{2}$	anna	,,	and se	rvice	JEEND	"
	1	annas ,, rupee	,,	2.5	"	29	,,
4. <	2	annas	,,	,,	,,		,,
	8	,,	"	JEEN	D	surcharge.	
	1	rupee	"	33		"	
5.		annas	99	22		,,	
6.	1	rupee	92	red		"	
7.	4	annas (green	) ,,	curved		,,	
8.	1	rupee (grey)	,,	horizon	rtal bl	ack "	

But here, as in the case of Nabha and Patiala, the collector must beware of the reprints of the curved surcharge. These were made, apparently in quantities of only about one sheet of each value, but are easily distinguished by the cramped disposition of the letters of the surcharge, which accordingly measures from 1 to 1½ millimètres less than in the originals. Fig. 2 shows the reprint. It may be contrasted with Fig. 1, which shows the genuine surcharge reading downway in error. Fortunately the reprints do not reproduce this error. The stamps of the curved and "Jeend" surcharges, and the surcharges on the grey rupee have been extensively but very clumsily forged.

The most interesting errors of this State are the reversed curved surcharge and the Jeind error. The former is found only once on each pane (i. e. twice on each sheet) of the star watermarked paper.

It, therefore, occurred as follows:—

		URDIN	ARI STAMP	5.		
1/2	anna		***		202	copies.
1	,,	000		100	28	99
2	annas			000	52	99
8	9.7	***	***	100	4	92
1	rupee	001	5 040	the	4	22

### SERVICE STAMPS.

1/2 anna		 	802	copies.
1 ,,	*		00	"
2		 	26	,,

The latter occurred (in the *third* printing) *once* on each sheet of *star* watermarked paper, *i. e.*, as follows:—

### ORDINARY STAMPS.

1/2	anna	••			133	copies.
1	,,				100	,,
2	annas				33	,,
8	1)		***	***	8	. ,,
1	rupee (grey)		***	***	4	97
		SFRVICE	STAMPS.			
1	anna	100		,	133	copies.
1	23	***	***		?	

I have not been able to determine whether the errors in the 6 annas stamps belong to the 6th or 9th printings, but as both printings were very small, the errors must in any case

be rare.

The errors in the JEEND issue are also, of course extremely valuable.

I have not seen the ERVICE errors myself, but, finding contemporaneous records of their existence, I have inserted them. They must have occurred in the 3rd printing.

The STATE error is uncommon. It is not found on all the stamps, but only on the star watermarked stamps of the 2nd, 3rd, 6th, 7th and 8th printings.

The ISERVICE error occurred once in each sheet in the 8th printing. In the 2 annas value, therefore, it occured only 8 times, and in the  $\frac{1}{2}$  anna 100 times.

The 9th printing is responsible for JHINDI once on each sheet. The numbers are:—

### ORDINARY STAMPS.

1½ annas 3 ,, 12 ,,				11
3 ,,		***	544	3
12 ,,	000	000	101	6

### SERVICE STAMPS.

1/2	anna	 	 	134
1	rupee	 ***	 	3

The "Jhind State" surcharge on the 6th, 7th and 8th printings appears to have been done from one setting up of the type. As it is in these printings that the errors "Jhind" measuring  $10\frac{1}{2}$  and  $9\frac{3}{4}$  millimètres are found, each once on the sheet, the numbers of each of these errors are:—

### ORDINARY STAMPS.

$\frac{1}{2}$	anna			67	4	annas			26
1	anna			101	8	. ,,		•••	14
2	ann	***	***	51	1	rupee	•••		10
3	,,			17	1				

### SERVICE STAMPS.

1	anna		 100	4	annas	 	52
2	annas	•••	 8	8	,,	 	17

SERVICE measures  $11\frac{1}{2}$  millimètres once in most sheets of the 11th printing. In some the measurement is correct, and this seems to have been caused by some looseness of the "forme." The numbers of this error were therefore somewhat less than under:—

$\frac{1}{2}$	anna			•	200
2	annas	•••	•••		100
4	97				20
8	,,			•••	20
1	rupee				6

I chronicle a  $\frac{1}{2}$  anna stamp with the black horizontal "Jhind" surcharged inverted, on the authority of the *Monthly Journal*.



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Photo-etching.

JHIND

13.

Survey of India Offices, Calcutta, November 1898.

J H'I N D STATE MEANNA SIXPIES

15.

### JEIRD.

I. Surcharged in black with the words "JHIND" and "STATE" in two curved vertical lines, both surcharges reading upwards and so arranged that the two form a rough ellipse.

### (a) Ordinary Stamps.

1884. WATERMARKED STAR.

1 | ½ anna green

2 1 ,, plum

3 2 annas blue

4 8 ,, mauve

5 1 rupee grey

WATERMARKED ELEPHANT'S HEAD.

6 | 4 annas green

### ERRORS.

Surcharge reading downwards. (Fig. 1.)

### WATERMARKED STAR.

 $7 \mid \frac{1}{2}$  anna green

8 1 ,, plum

9 2 annas blue

10 8 ,, mauve

11 | 1 rupee grey

# I, (b) Service Stamps.

With additional black horizontal surcharge "SERVICE."

1884. SAME WATERMARK.

20  $\frac{1}{2}$  anna green 21 1 ,, plum

22 2 annas blue

### ERRORS.

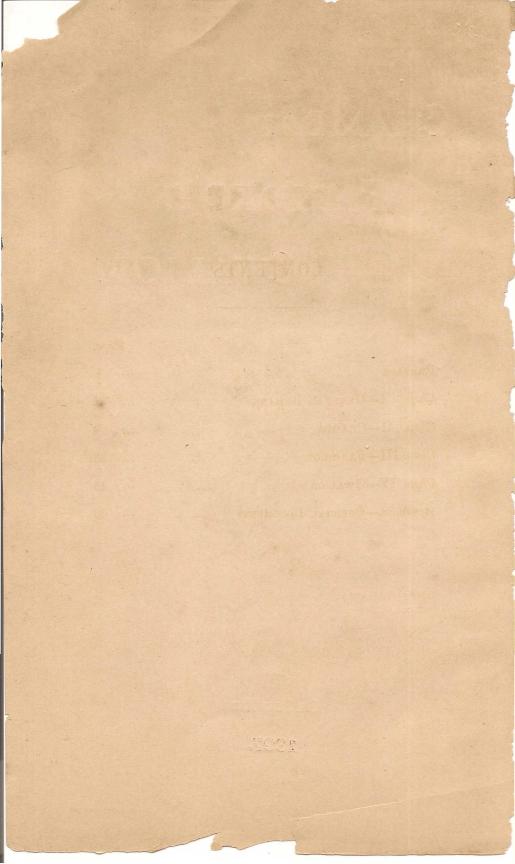
Surcharge reading downwards. (Fig. 1.)

### WATERMARKED STAR.

23  $\frac{1}{2}$  anna green

24 1 ,, plum

25 2 annas blue



# II. Horizontal surcharge STATE (1) In red.

### (a) Ordinary Stamps.

1885. WATERMARKED STAR.

30 | ½ anna green

31 2 annas blue

32 1 rupee grey

WATERMARKED ELEPHANT'S HEAD.

33 4 annas green

### ERRORS.

- 1. STATE. WATERMARKED STAR. (FIG. 3.)
- $34 \mid \frac{1}{2} \text{ anna} \quad \text{green}$
- 35 2 annas blue
- 36 1 rupee grey
  - 2. JEEND. SAME WATERMARK. (FIG. 4.)
- $37 \mid \frac{1}{2}$  anna green
- 38 2 annas blue
- 39 1 rupee grey

WATERMARKED ELEPHANT'S HEAD.

40 | 4 annas green

### II (1) (b) Service Stamps.

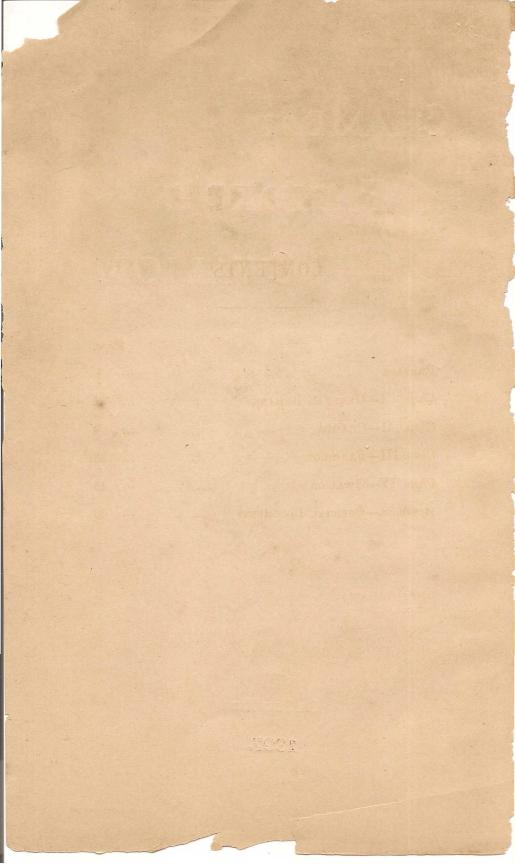
With additional red horizontal surcharge "SERVICE."

### WATERMARKED STAR.

45  $\frac{1}{2}$  anna green 46 2 annas blue

### ERRORS.

- 1. STATE. WATERMARKED STAR. (FIG. 3.)
- 47 | ½ anna green
- 48 2 annas blue
  - 2. JEEND. SAME WATERMARK. (FIG. 4.)
- 49  $\frac{1}{2}$  anna green
- 50 2 annas blue



### II. (2) In Black.

### (a) Ordinary Stamps.

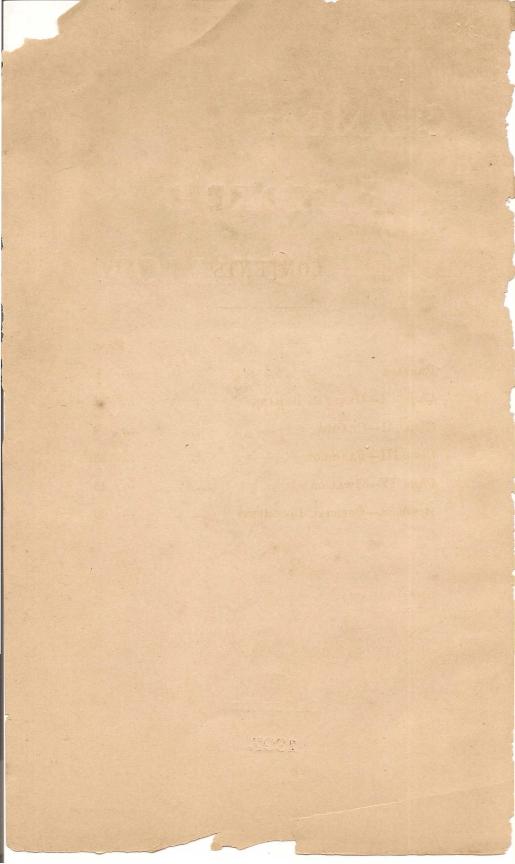
1885. WATERMARKED STAR.

53 | 1 anna plum

54 8 annas mauve

### ERRORS.

- 1. STATE. WATERMARKED STAR. (FIG. 3.)
- 55 1 anna plum
- 56 8 annas mauve
  - 2. JEEND. SAME WATERMARK. (FIG. 4.)
- 57 | 1 anna plum
- 58 8 annas mauve



### II (2) (b) Service Stamps.

With additional black horizontal surcharge "SERVICE"

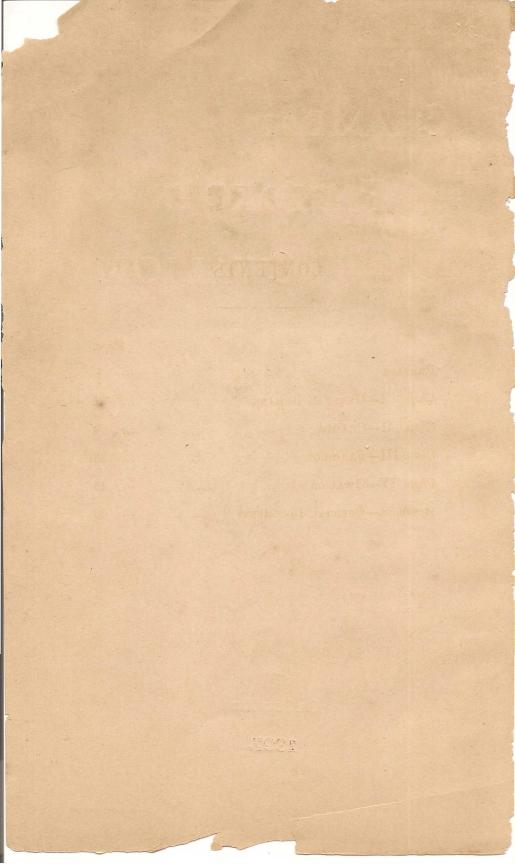
1885. WATERMARKED STAR.

61 | 1 anna plum

### ERRORS.

- 1. STATE. WATERMARKED STAR. (FIG. 3.)
- 62 | 1 anna plum
  - 2. JEEND. SAME WATERMARK (FIG. 4.)

63 | 1 anna plum



# III. Horizontal surcharge STATE.

### (I) In red.

### (a) Ordinary Stamps.

1886. WATERMARKED STAR,

65  $\frac{1}{2}$  anna green 66 2 annas blue

67 1 rupee grey

WATERMARKED ELEPHANT'S HEAD.

68 | 4 annas green

### ERRORS.

1. STATE. WATERMARKED STAR. FIG. 5.)

69 1 anna green

70 2 annas blue

71 1 rupee grey

### 2. JEIND. SAME WATERMARK, (FIG. 6.)

72 | ½ anna green

73 2 annas blue

74 1 rupee grey

3. JHIND. SAME WATERMARK. (FIG. 7.)

75 | ½ anna green

76 2 annas blue

77 1 rupee grey

### III. (1) (b) Service Stamps.

# With additional red horizontal surcharge "SERVICE."

1886. WATERMARKED STAR.

81 | ½ anna green

82 2 annas blue

### ERRORS.

1. STATE. WATERMARKED STAR. (FIG. 5.)

83 | 1 anna green

84 2 annas blue

2. JEIND. SAME WATERMARK. (FIG. 6.)

 $85 \mid \frac{1}{2} \text{ anna} \quad \text{green}$ 

86 2 annas blue

3. JHIND. SAME WATERMARK. (FIG. 7.)

87 | 1 anna green

88 2 annas blue

4. ERVICE. SAME WATERMARK.

89 | 1 anna green

go 2 annas blue

### III (2) In Black.

### (a) Ordinary Stamps

1886. WATERMARKED STAR.

91 | 1 anna plum

92 8 annas mauve

1888. SAME WATERMARK.

93 | ½ anna green

1891. SAME WATERMARK.

94 2 annas blue

95 3 ., orange

96 4 " olive

97 1 rupee grey

WATERMARKED ELEPHANT'S HEAD,

98 6 annas bistre

1896. WATERMARKED STAR.

99 | 1½ annas brown

100 12 ,, brown on red

101 2 rupees yellow-brown and carmine

102 3 " green and brown

103 5 ,, violet and ultramarine

1897. SAME WATERMARK.

104 | 1 rupee carmine and green

### ERRORS.

### I. Inverted Surcharge.

WATERMARKED STAR.

- 107 |  $\frac{1}{2}$  anna green

  2. STATE, SAME WATERMARK, (FIG. 5.)
- 108 | 1 anna green
- 109 1 ,, plum
- 110 2 annas blue
- 111 3 ,, orange
- 112 4 , olive
- 113 8 ,, mauve
- 114 1 rupee grey
  - 3. JEIND. SAME WATERMARK. (FIG. 6.)
- 115 | 1 anna plum
- 116 8 annas mauve
  - JHIND measuring 10½ millimètres,
     SAME WATERMARK. (FIG. 8.)
- 117 | ½ anna green
- 118 1 , plum
- 119 2 annas blue
- 120 3 ,, orange
- 121 4 ,, olive
- 122 8 ,, mauve
- 123 1 rupee grey

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    JHIND measuring 9<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> millimètres,
    SAME WATERMARK. (FIG. 14.)
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124 | ½ anna green
125
     1 ,, plum
     2 annas blue
126
127
            orange
128
            olive
     8
129
            mauve
130 1 rupee grey
        6. JHINDI. SAME WATERMARK. (FIG. 9.)
131 | 1½ annas brown
         " orange
132
133 | 12 ,, brown on red
       7. JH'IND. SAME WATERMARK. (FIG. 15.)
134 | 1\frac{1}{2} annas brown
135
            orange
        2.2
          " brown on red
136 12
 8. JHIND. WATERMARKED ELEPHANT'S HEAD. (FIG. 10.)
137 | 6 annas bistre
      9. JHIND. WATERMARKED STAR. (FIG. 11.)
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WATERMARKED ELEPHANT'S HEAD.

140 6 annas bistre

138 | 1 anna plum

138 8 annas mauve

# 10. JHIND. WATERMARKED STAR.

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# III. (2) (b) Service Stamps.

# With additional black horizontal surcharge "SERVICE."

1886. WATERMARKED STAR.

145 | 1 anna plum

1888. SAME WATERMARK.

 $146 \mid \frac{1}{2}$  anna green

1892. SAME WATERMARK.

147 | 4 annas olive

148 8 ,, mauve

1893. SAME WATERMARK.

149 | 2 annas blue

1896. WATERMARKED STAR.

150 | 1 rupee carmine and green

# ERRORS.

1. STATE. SAME WATERMARK. (FIG. 5.)

151  $\frac{1}{2}$  anna green

152 2 annas blue

153 4 " olive

154 8 , mauve

- 2. JEIND. SAME WATERMARK. (FIG. 6.)
- 155 | 1 anna plum
  - 3. JHIND measuring  $10\frac{1}{2}$  millimètres.

SAME WATERMARK. (FIG. 8.)

- 156 | ½ anna green
- 157 2 annas blue
- 158 4 ,, olive
- 159 8 ,, mauve
  - JHIND measuring 9<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> millimètres,
     SAME WATERMARK. (FIG. 14.)
- 160 | ½ anna green
- 161 2 annas blue
- 162 4 ,, olive
- 163 8 , mauve
  - 5. JHINDI. SAME WATERMARK. (FIG. 9.)
- 164 | ½ anna green
- 165 1 rupee carmine and green
  - 6. JH'IND. SAME WATERMARK. (FIG. 15.)
- 166 | ½ anna green
- 167 | 1 rupee carmine and green
  - 7. JHIND. SAME WATERMARK. (FIG. 11.)
- 168 / 1 anna plum

## 8. JHIND. SAME WATERMARK.

169 | ½ anna green

170 1 rupee carmine and green

9. ISERVICE. SAME WATERMARK. (FIG. 12.)

171 | ½ anna green

172 2 annas blue

10. ERVICE. SAME WATERMARK.

173 | 1 anna plum

11. SERVICE measuring  $11\frac{1}{2}$  millimètres.

SAME WATERMARK. (FIG. 13.)

174 | ½ anna green

175 2 annas blue

176 4 ,, olive

177 8 , mauve

178 | 1 rupee carmine and green

# Chapter VI.

## NABHA.

Ruling Chief—His Highness, Raja-i-Rajagan, Raja Sir Hira Singh, Mahindar, Bahadur, Grand Commander of the Most Exalted Order of the Star of India, Farzand-i-Arjamand, Akidatpaiwand, Barar Bans Sirmur.

HEAD OF POST OFFICE-Lalla Harnam Das.

Area—936 square miles.

Population—282,756.

DATE OF EXECUTION OF CONVENTION—1st July 1885.

N ABHA is, next to Faridkot, the smallest of the Cis-Sutlej Sikh States, with which we have to deal, its area being about 25 per cent smaller than that of Jhind. The proportion of literate persons to the total population is, however, much greater in Nabha than in Jhind. While the total number of inhabitants is approximately the same in both States, Nabha contains about half as many literate persons again as Jhind. It is, no doubt, to this fact that we must attribute the comparatively large numbers of adhesives issued for this State.

The State maintains fifteen post-offices and connecting mail lines. The population is mainly rural, there being no large towns in the State.

The surcharge on the stamps of Nabha is found in three different varieties. They are:—

- (1). Vertical curved surcharge in black.
- (2). Horizontal surcharge in red.
- (3). Ditto ditto in black.

All these varieties occur in the case of service as well as of ordinary stamps. The first two varieties are entirely obsolete.

The nature of the first variety of surcharge having been fully described in the chapter on Jhind, and the other two being of the normal kind, need not be discussed here. Measuring the curved surcharge as was done in the case of Jhind, *i. e.*, by taking a straight line from the extreme points of each word, we find its dimensions to be as under:—

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"Nabha" About ... 10\frac{1}{2} \times 1\frac{3}{4} millimetres. "State" ,, ... 10 \times 1\frac{3}{4} ,, ... 10 \times 1\frac{3}{4} ,, ... 8\frac{1}{2} \times 1\frac{3}{4} ,,
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As in the case of Jhind, the curve taken by the first words varies considerably, so that a more or less circular surcharge will measure as much as \( \frac{3}{4} \) millimètre less than a comparatively straight one.

The dimensions of the surcharges on the other two varieties are:—

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"Nabha" ... ... 10\frac{3}{4} \times 2 millimètres. "State" ... ... 7\frac{3}{4} \times 2 ,, "Service" ... ... 10\frac{1}{2} \times 2 ,, Interval between "Nabha" and "State" ... ... 1
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## The following is a list of the various printings:-

## (1) Surcharged in February and issued in May 1885.

	ORDINARY STAMPS.				SERVICE STAMPS.				
$1 \\ 2 \\ 4 \\ 8 \\ 1$	anna ,,, annas ,,, rupee	(green)		24,000 3,120 6,000 1,280 240 240	$1 \\ 2$	anna " annas			96,000 120,000 2,880

## This is the issue with the curved surcharge.

#### (2) NOVEMBER 1885.

ORDINARY STAMPS.				SERVICE STAMPS.						
$1 \\ 2 \\ 4 \\ 8 \\ 1$	anna ,, annas ,, rupee	 (green)  (grey)		64,500 16,500 16,500 1,650 850 450	$\frac{1}{2}$	anna ,, annas				32,500 16,500 16,500

In this issue, the  $\frac{1}{2}$  anna, 2 annas, 4 annas, and 1 rupee values were surcharged horizontally in red, and the others in black.

## After this all surcharges were in black only.

## (3) OCTOBER 1888.

ORDINARY STAMPS.				1	SE	RVICE	STAMPS.	
8 ,	nas (olive		2,500 3,000 3,000 1,000 200 200	$2^{\frac{1}{2}}$	anna annas ,,			2,500 1,000 1,000

### (4) May 1889.

ORDINARY STAMPS.

$\frac{1}{2}$	anna	•••	•••	 6,000

# (5) SEPTEMBER 1889.

(J) SEPTEMBER 1003.								
ORDINARY	STAMPS.	SERVICE	STAMPS.					
3 annas 6 ,, 12 ,,	1,567 1,033 1,167	$ \begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	63,840 1,567 10,500 1,033 2,500 1,167 1,000					
	(6) Ju	NE 1890.						
	ORDINAR	Y STAMPS.						
$\frac{1}{2}$ anna 1 ,, 3 annas 4 ,, 8 ,, 1 rupee			16,000 2,133 1,600 800					
ORDINARY	ORDINARY STAMPS. SERVICE STAMPS.							
$1\frac{1}{2}$ annas 6 ,, 8 ,, 12 ,, 1 rupee (grey)	1,200 1,920 1,920 1,920 240	3 annas 6 ,, 12 ,,	1,920 1,926 1,920					
	(8) Octob	ER 1891.						
	ORDINAR	Y STAMPS.						
½ anna			48,000					
	(9) Mar	сн 1892.						
ORDINARY	STAMPS.	SERVICE	STAMPS.					
$1\frac{1}{2}$ annas	1,700	½ anna ··	96,000					
	(10) Augi	JST 1892.						
ORDINARY	STAMPS.	Service	STAMPS.					
1 anna 2 annas 3 ,, 4 ,, 1 rupee (grey)	$\begin{array}{ccc} & 72,000 \\ & 24,000 \\ & 2,400 \\ & 2,400 \\ & 1,200 \\ \end{array}$	l anna	24,000					

#### (11) OCTOBER 1892. ORDINARY STAMPS. 9 pies ... 1,460 (12) OCTOBER 1893. ORDINARY STAMPS SERVICE STAMPS. ... 120,000 ... 24,000 ... 12,000 1 anna annas pies ... 12,000 4 ... ,, ... ... 48,000 anna 8,400 ... ... 12,000 ... 24,000 ... 12,000 ... 12,000 1½ annas . . . 3 ... 46 ... 16,000 8 ... 12,000 ,, ... 12 ... 12,000 1 rupee (current type)... 6,500 (13) MAY 1895. ORDINARY STAMPS. SERVICE STAMPS. ... 12,000 1 anna (14) August 1895. ORDINARY STAMPS. SERVICE STAMPS. 1 anna .. ... 48,000 $\frac{1}{2}$ anna ... 1 ... 1 ... 1 ... 1 ... $\begin{array}{ccc} ... & 2,400 \\ ... & 2,400 \end{array}$ (15) JANUARY 1897. ORDINARY STAMPS. SERVICE STAMPS. rupees 576 ½ anna ... 48,240 576 1 rupee (current type)... 1,440 ... ... 576 (16) MARCH 1898. SERVICE STAMPS. .. 36,240 1 anna (17) \*MARCH 1899. SERVICE STAMPS ... ... 24,240

 $\frac{1}{2}$  anna

<sup>\*</sup> Probable date of supply. These stamps have just been intended for.

The following is a list of the numbers of each value issued in each of the three varieties of surcharge:—

# Curved Surcharge.

$\frac{1}{2}$	anna					24,000
1	97				•••	3,120
2	annas			J		6,000
4	,,	(green)				1,280
8	,,	•••	•••	***	•••	240
1	rupee	(grey)				240
					-	
				Total		24 000

## (b) SERVICE STAMPS.

$1 \\ 2$	anna ,, annas	 :::	•••	•••	96,000 120,000 2,880
			Total		219,220
			GRAND TOTAL		253,440

# Red Horizontal Surcharge.

## (a) ORDINARY STAMPS.

		1001		Total	-	83.100
1	rupee	(grey)				450
ŧ	,,	(green)	•••			1,650
2	annas	•••	•••			16,5CO
1/2	anna			***		64,500

## (b) SERVICE STAMPS.

2 2	anna annas	•••	 		•••	32,500 16,500
				Total		49,000
			GRAND	TOTAL		132,100

# Black Horizontal Surcharge.

## (a) ORDINARY STAMPS.

$\frac{1}{2}$	anna			SOUTH THE PARTY		256,500
9	pies					13,460
1	anna		•••			191,500
$1\frac{1}{2}$	annas		• •		•••	14,900
2	,,					51,000
3	,,					18,100
4	1)	(olive)	•••	•••	•••	17,000
6	,,				•••	18,953
8	,,			***		15,770
12	,,					15,087
1	rupee	(grey)	• • •			2,640
1	,, (c	urrent type)				6,500
2	rupees					576
3	,,		•••		•••	576
5	,,					576
					_	

Total ... 623,238

## (b) SERVICE STAMPS.

$\frac{1}{2}$	anna					319,060
1	"		•••		•••	112,740
2	annas					25,000
3	,,				••	3,487
4	,,	(olive)				23,500
6	99		•••			2,953
8	,,	•	•••			10,900
12	"					3,087
1	rupee	(grey)	•••	•••	•••	1,000
1	,, (	(current type)	•••			1,440

Total ... 491,167

GRAND TOTAL. 4,124,405

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The total number of ordinary stamps issued up to date is, therefore, 741,216 and of service stamps 769,047; in all 1,510,265.

Of the total number, well over 50 per cent are of the  $\frac{1}{2}$  anna value, 80 per cent of the  $\frac{1}{2}$  and 1 anna values, while about 87 per cent are of the  $\frac{1}{2}$ , 1 and 2 annas values.

The stamps with the curved and with the horizontal red surcharge are all obsolete. So are the following denominations with the *black* horizontal surcharge:—

- 9 pies ordinary
- 1 rupee (grey) ordinary and service
- 2 rupees ordinary
- 3 ,, ,,
- 5 ,, ,,
- 6 annas service

The  $1\frac{1}{2}$  annas value is nearly obsolete, while the 3 and 12 annas service values are nearly all used up, and the State does not intend to ask for more.

Judging, as before, by the numbers printed, the rarest stamps of Nabha in order of rarity are—

ordinary, black curved surcharge. annas rupee (grey) rupee (grey) red horizontal ,, ,, rupees black ,, " ,, 4. 4 annas (green) curved rupee (grey) service, black horizontal 5. 1 annas (green) ordinary, red 6. "

The collector must, however, be warned against the Reprints of the issue with the curved surcharge. They were apparently done at the same times as those of Jhind, in quantities of about one sheet of each value. Fortunately, as in the case of Jhind, the surcharges measure 1 to  $1\frac{1}{2}$  millimetre less than on the originals, so that detection is very easy. Fig. 1 shows the genuine stamp, and Fig. 2 the reprint. The second printing has also been reprinted, but as the reprints are surcharged "Specimen" they need not be feared. I have also seen several forgeries of the rarer stamps of this State, but none of them were at all dangerous.

I have not been able to allocate each error to its printing. Thus, e.g., I have noted that a colon follows the surcharge on the 12 annas stamps only, although it is quite certain that the same error exists in other stamps. It probably belongs to the fifth printing. If it is found in the 3 annas or in the 1 rupee ordinary, it can be ascertained whether this guess is correct, or whether it belongs to the seventh printing.

I have not seen the double surcharge in the curved surcharge issue, but it is amply vouched for by good authorities.

The second printing is responsible for the errors numbered 28-33, 45-48, 126, 127, and 225. As each of these occurred once in the sheet, their numbers are:—

	V.	ORDINARY	STAMPS.			
$1^{\frac{1}{2}}$ $2$ $8$ $1$	anna ,, annas ,, rupee	 			269 69 69 or 4 or 2	copies.
		SERVICE	STAMPS.			
$1 \\ 2$	aona ,, annas	 •••		•••	135 69 69	copies.

"NABHA" measures  $11\frac{1}{2}$  millimètres twice in each sheet of this printing, so its numbers are just double those noted above. None of these errors occur on the 4 annas, which is on the elephant's head paper.

The "STATE" error is comparatively uncommon in the stamps of this State. It did not occur in anything like all the printings.

The error where both "NABHA" and "STATE" measure too much occurs in the 10th printing, once on each sheet. The numbers are, therefore:—

ORDINARY	STAMPS.
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1	anna	 	 	300	copies.
2	annas	 	 	100	,,
3	,,	 	 	10	,,
4	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	 •••	 	10	,,
1	rupee	 	 	5	33

#### SERVICE STAMPS.

1	anna			 100	copies.
1	Cettitie		•••	 100	copics.

The similar error, in which the word "State" is  $9\frac{1}{2}$  millimètres long is the product of the 15th printing. The numbers are, therefore:—

#### SERVICE STAMPS.

	anna	 	 	201	copies.
1	rupee	 	 	6	,,

Again, "STATE" measures  $8\frac{1}{2}$  millimètres twice on each sheet of the 12th printing. The numbers, there, are:—

#### ORDINARY STAMPS.

1/2	anna	 	•••			copies.
9	pies	 		***,	100	"
1	anna	 			400	,,
13	annas	 		***	100	,,
2	,,	 			200	,,
3	',,	 			100	,,
4	,,	 			100	"
8	,,,	 •••			103	,,
12	,,	 			100	,,,
1	rupes				64	11

#### SERVICE STAMPS

2	annas	 	 	200	copies.
4	,,	 	 	100	"
8	,,	 	 	70	,,

The word "SERVICE" is followed by a full stop in a dozen or so stamps of each sheet of the 13th and 14th printings.

I have not seen the "ABHA" error except in the  $l\frac{1}{2}$  annas value of the 12th printing, and only in some sheets of this. The initial letter must have dropped out while printing.

The two errors in which a "lead" showing like an I before or after the word "SERVICE," occurred in the 13th or 14th printings. In either case, there were 100 copies of it in the  $\frac{1}{2}$  and 1 anna values.

As for the STATE errors, please see the remarks on p. 15 of Part I of this book.



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I. Surcharged in black with "NABHA" and "STATE" in two curved lines, both surcharges reading upwards and so arranged that the two form a rough ellipse.

# (a) Ordinary Stamps

1884. WATERMARKED STAR.

1  $\frac{1}{2}$  anna green
2 1 ,, plum
3 2 annas blue
4 8 ,, mauve
5 1 rupee grey

WATERMARKED ELEPHANT'S HEAD.

6 | 4 annas green

## ERRORS.

# I. Double Surcharge.

WATERMARKED STAR.

 $7 \mid \frac{1}{2}$  anna green

8 2 annas blue

WATERMARKED ELEPHANT'S HEAD.

9 | 4 annas green

# I. (b) Service Stamps.

# Additional black horizontal surcharge 'SERVICE.'

1884. WATERMARKED STAR.

15  $\begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \text{ anna} & \text{green} \\ 16 & 1 & \text{,,} & \text{plum} \\ 17 & 2 & \text{annas} & \text{blue} \end{bmatrix}$ 

# II. Horizontal surcharge in red STATE 1885. WATERMARKED STAR.

# (a) Ordinary Stamps.

21  $\frac{1}{2}$  anna green

22 2 annas blue

23 1 rupee grey

WATERMARKED ELEPHANT'S HEAD.

24 | 4 annas green

#### ERRORS.

NABHA. Measuring 11½ millimètres. (FIG. 3.)
 WATERMARKED STAR.

25  $\frac{1}{2}$  anna green

26 2 annas blue

27 1 rupee grey

2. NA'B'HA. SAME WATERMARK. (FIG. 4.)

28 | ½ anna green

29 2 annas blue

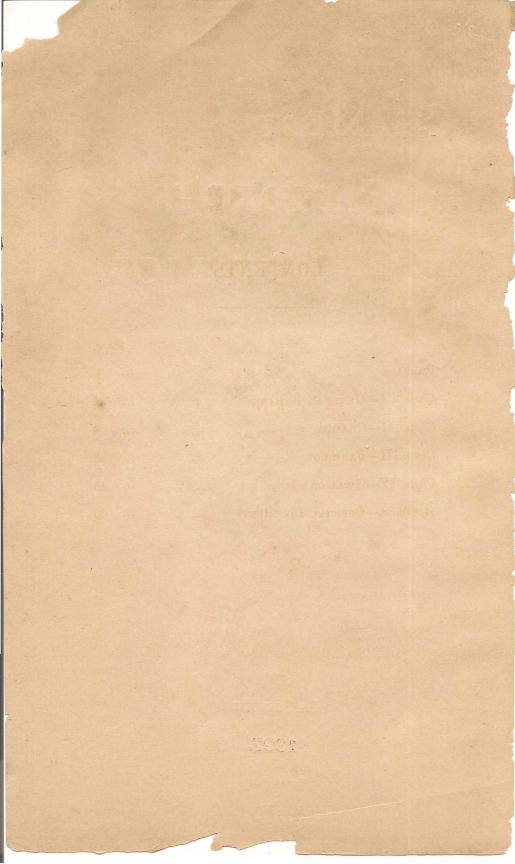
30 1 rupee grey

3. NABHA. SAME WATERMARK. (FIG. 5.)

31  $\frac{1}{2}$  anna green

32 2 annas blue

33 1 rupee grey



# II. (b) Service Stamps.

Additional red horizontal surcharge "SERVICE."

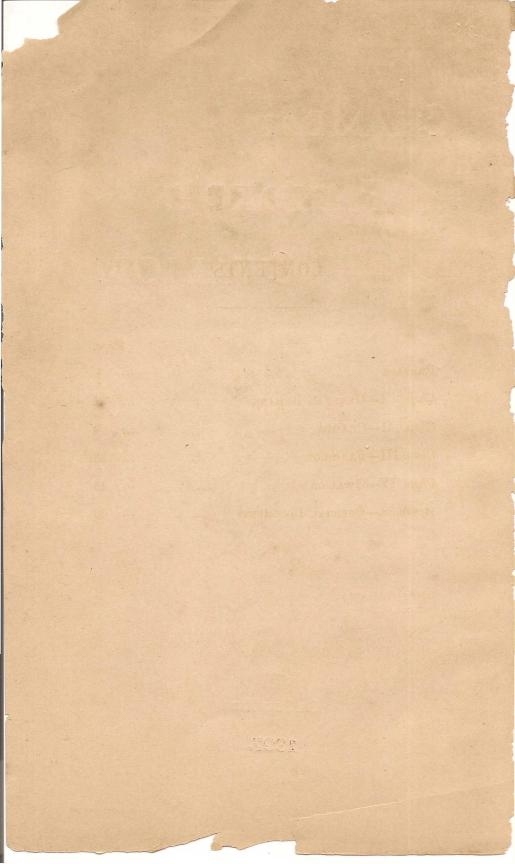
#### WATERMARKED STAR.

41  $\frac{1}{2}$  anna green

42 2 annas blue

## ERRORS.

- 1. NABHA measuring  $11\frac{1}{2}$  millimètres. (Fig. 3.) Watermarked Star.
- 43 | 1 anna green
- 44 2 annas blue
  - 2. NA'B'HA. SAME WATERMARK. (FIG. 4.)
- $45 \mid \frac{1}{2}$  anna green
- 46 2 annas blue
  - 3. NABHA. SAME WATERMARK. (FIG. 5.)
- 47 | ½ anna green
- 48 2 annas blue



# III. Horizontal surcharge in black NABHA STATE.

# (a) Ordinary Stamps.

1885. WATERMARKED STAR.

60 | 1 anna plum

61 8 annas mauve

1888. SAME WATERMARK.

62  $\frac{1}{2}$  anna green

63 2 annas blue

64 4 ,, olive

65 1 rupee grey

1889. SAME WATERMARK.

66 | 3 annas orange

67 12 ,, brown on red

WATERMARKED ELEPHANT'S HEAD.

68 | 6 annas bistre

1891. WATERMARKED STAR.

69 | 1½ annas brown

1892. SAME WATERMARK.

70 | 9 pies carmine

### 1893. SAME WATERMARK.

71 | 1 rupee carmine and green

1897. SAME WATERMARK.

72 | 2 rupees yellow-brown and carmine

73 3 , green and brown

74 5 , violet and ultramarine

# ERRORS.

## 1. STATE. WATERMARKED STAR. (FIG.6)

1 anna green

77 9 pies carmine

78 1 anna plum

76

79 1½ annas brown

80 2 ,, blue

81 3 ,, orange

82 4 ,. olive

83 8 ,, mauve

84 12 ,, brown on red

85 1 rupee grey

86 1 ,, carmine and green

87 2 rupees yellow-brown and carmine

88 3 " green and brown

80 5 ,, violet and ultramarine

#### WATERMARKED ELEPHANT'S HEAD.

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90 6 annas bistre
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2. STATE. WATERMARKED STAR. (FIG. 7.)

91 | 1 anna green

92 1 ,, plum

3. ISTATE. SAME WATERMARK. (FIG. 8.)

93 | ½ anna green

94 1 ,, plum

95 2 annas blue

96 4 ,, olive

97 8 ,, mauve

98 1 rupee grey

# 4. STATE measuring 8½ millimètres. Same Watermark. (FIG 10.)

99 1 ½ anna green

100 9 pies carmine

101 l anna plum

102 11 annas brown

103 2 ,, blue

104 3 ,, orange

105 4 ,, olive

106 8 ,, mauve

107 12 ,, brown on red

108 I rupee carmine and green

NABHA measuring 11½ millimètres and STAT E
 9 millimètres. SAME WATERMARK. (FIG. 9.)

NABHA measuring 11½ millimètres.

SAME WATERMARK, - (FIG. 3.)

7. NABHA followed by a rough colon.

Same Watermark, (Fig. 11.)

- 118 |12 annas brown on red
  - 8. NABHA followed by a rough semi-colon.

    Same Watermark. (Fig. 12.)

120
 
$$\frac{1}{2}$$
 anna
 green

 121
 1
 ,,
 plum

 122
 2
 annas
 blue

 123
 4
 ,,
 olive

 124
 8
 ,,
 mauve

 125
 1
 rupee
 grey

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9. NA'B'HA. SAME WATERMARK. (FIG. 4.)
126 | 1 anna
              plum
127 8 annas mauve
   10. NABHA. SAME WATERMARK. (FIGS. 13 and 14.)
128 | 1 anna
             green
              plum
129 1 ,,
      11. NABHA. SAME WATERMARK. (FIG. 15.)
              green
     1 anna
130
     9 pies
             carmine
131
     1 anna
             plum
132
133
     11 annas
             brown
              blue
     2
134
135
              orange
              olive
136
137 8
              mauve
              brown on red
138
    12
    1 rupee carmine and green
139
    12. NABHA. SAME WATERMARK. (FIGS. 5 and 16.)
     1 anna
              green
140
     9 pies
              carmine
141
     1 anna
             plum
142
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1½ annas brown

blue

143

144 2

145	3	annas	orange
<ul><li>145</li><li>146</li><li>147</li><li>148</li></ul>	4	,,	olive
147	8	,,	mauve
148	12	,,	brown on red
149	1	rupee	carmine and green

13. ABHA. SAME WATERMARK. (FIG. 17.)

150 | 1½ annas brown

# III. (b) Service Stamps.

# Additional black horizontal surcharge "SERVICE."

1885. WATERMARKED STAR.

180 | l anna plum

1888 SAME WATERMARK.

181 |  $\frac{1}{2}$  anna green

182 2 annas blue

183 4 ,, olive

1889. SAME WATERMARK.

184 3 annas orange

185 8 ,, mauve

186 12 ,, brown on red

137 1 rupee grey

WATERMARKED ELEPHANT'S HEAD.

188 | 1 anna bistre

1897. WATERMARKED STAR.

189 | I rupee carmine and green

## ERRORS.

1. STATE. WATERMARKED STAR. (FIG. 6.)

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½ anna green
190
191
     1 ,,
            plum
192
     2 annas blue
193
     3
            orange
194
            olive
195
    8
        " mauve
196
   12
         " brown on red
1.97
    1 rupee grey
198
      ,, carmine and green
    1
       2. STATE. SAME WATERMARK. (FIG. 7.)
    1 anna
            green
200 1 ,,
            plum
       3. ISTATE. SAME WATERMARK. (FIG. 8.)
    1/2 anna green
201
     2 annas blue
202
203 4 ,, olive
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4. STATE measuring  $9\frac{1}{2}$  millimetres. Same Watermark. (Fig. 18.)

204  $\frac{1}{2}$  anna green
205 1 rupee carmine and green

5. STATE measuring  $8\frac{1}{2}$  millimètres.

SAME WATERMARK, (FIG. 10.)

- 206 | 2 annas blue
- 207 4 ,, olive
- 208 8 ,, mauve
  - NABHA measuring 11½ millimètres and STATE
     9 millimètres. Same Watermark. (Fig. 9.)
- 209 | 1 anna plum
  - 7. NABHA measuring 11½ millimètres.

    Same Watermark. (Fig. 3.)
- 210 | l anna plum
  - 8. NABHA measuring 11 millimètres.

    Same Watermark. (Fig. 19.)
- 211  $\frac{1}{2}$  anna green
- 212 | 1 rupee carmine and green
  - 9. NABHA following by a rough colon.

    Same Watermark. (Fig. 11.)
- 213 3 annas orange
- 214 12 ,, brown on red
  - 10. NABHA followed by a rough semi-colon.

    Same Watermark. (Fig. 12.)
- 215 | ½ anna green
- 216 2 annas blue
- 217 4 ,, olive

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11, NABHA. SAME WATERMARK. (FIG. 15.)
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218 \frac{1}{2} anna green
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## 12. NA'B'HA. SAME WATERMARK. (FIG. 4.)

## 225 l anna plum

## 13. NABHA. SAME WATERMARK. (FIGS. 5 & 15.)

# 14. SERVICE followed by a full stop. Same Watermark. (Fig. 20.)

# 15. SERVICEI. SAME WATERMARK. (FIG. 21.)

232 
$$\frac{1}{2}$$
 anna green

## 16. I SERVICE. SAME WATERMARK. (FIG. 22.)

234  $\frac{1}{2}$  anna green

235 1 ,, plum

17. SERVICE. SAME WATERMARK. (FIG. 23.)

236 | 2 annas blue

237 4 , olive

238 8 ,, mauve

8. SERVICE. Same Watermark. (fig. 19 right hand stamp.)

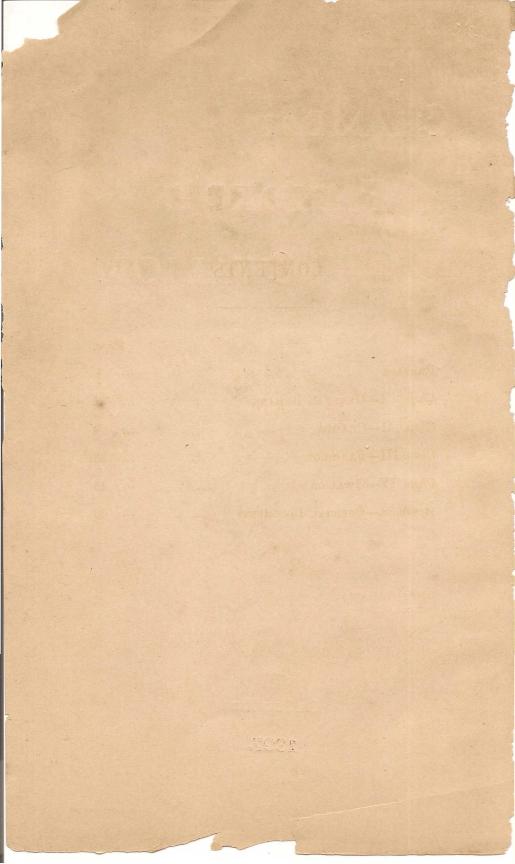
[This error occurs in conjunction with No. 8.]

239 | ½ anna green

240 1 rupee carmine and green

19. Double Surcharge "NABHA STATE."
SAME WATERMARK.

241 | 1 anna plum



# Chapter VII.

## PATIALA.

Ruling Chief.—His Highness Maharaja Sir Rajenda Singh, Mahindar Bahadur, Grand Commander of the Most Exalted Order of the Star of India, Farzand-i-Khas-i-Daulat-i-Inglishia, Mansur-ir-Zaman, Amir-ul-umara, Maharaja-Dhiraj, Rajeshwar Sri Maharaja-i-Rajagan.

HEAD OF POST OFFICE.—LALLA RAGHBIR CHAND.

AREA. -5,951 square miles.

POPULATION. -1,583,521.

DATE OF EXECUTION OF CONVENTION.—1st October 1884

WE now come to the State which but for our arbitrary alphabetical arrangement, ought really to have occupied our attention first of all, as it was in connection with enquiries into its postal arrangements that the idea of "conventions" of the nature we have been considering first of all cropped up, the first convention of this nature was entered into with this State, and the first ideas as to overprinting were the outcome of the wishes of Patiala.

Patiala is the largest of the Cis-Sutlej States and the premier State among the three so-called Phulkian States, with which we are now dealing. It is a curiously scattered territory, pieces of it being found here and there over a considerable portion of the map, partly in the plains between the Sutlej and the Jumna, and partly in the sub-montane tracts and in

the lower Himalayas near Simla. Its capital had in 1891 a population of 55,856, the inhabitants of Narnaul numbered 21,159; while four other towns in the State had a population of over 10,000 each.

The State is administered on modern and highly enlightened lines. A railway has been constructed and canals dug with the result that the population shows a rapid increase owing to influx from outside.

Its original and very primitive internal postal arrangements were used almost entirely for the transmission of State correspondence, and the need for stamps was not felt. In 1877, the Government of India, feeling that it was important that Native State local stamps should bear a device totally different from that on the stamps of British India, requested that in future no Native State should issue postage stamps of its own without the approval of Government being first obtained to the design. This circular appears to have suggested to the Patiala Council of Regency (for the present Maharaja was then in his minority) the advisability of the State having its own stamps. In the end of 1879, accordingly, it submitted a design for a postage stamp for approval. I have, unfortunately, been unable to secure a copy of this essay. The Government of India, while raising no objection to the design, suggested that the Punjab Government should endeavour to induce the Council of Regency to consent to the extension of the Imperial postal system throughout the State. The reply of the Council of Regency did not arrive till 1882, and was to the effect that "the postal arrangements of the State are complete in themselves, and are framed with reference to the requirements of the state, all the officials employed being Patiala subjects ". As they desired that the existing arrangements might continue, the Government of India did not press its former suggestion, but, at the request of the Director General of the Post Office of India, observed that something should be done to reform the very faulty arrangements for the \* exchange of correspondence, especially of money orders, between the Imperial Post Office and the Patiala State. It was added that the Director General of the Post Office of India would be directed to assist the Durbar in working out a new scheme. The Durbar agreed, and the negotiations on the part of the Imperial Post Office were intrusted to Rai Daulat Ram Bahadur. This was the germ of all the conventions which we have been considering. It was now that the idea of surcharging British Indian stamps was first heard of.

The original intention was to print the one word "Patiala" on the stamp. On 9th August 1883, the President of the Council of Regency generally approved of the draft convention, but asked that the overprint should be "Patiala State." This was agreed to, and a set of proof stamps etc. was called for with the words "Patiala State" surcharged in red across the stamp "one above the other, Patiala being placed across the chin and immediately behind the ear in the profile." These were supplied by the Central Government Press, and the Superintendent of Stamps, Calcutta, in sending them for approval remarked that the use of smaller type would disfigure the Queen's head less. The Superintendent of the

<sup>\*</sup> It is interesting to note that the right of exchanging correspondence with the Imperial Post Office was, in those pre-convention days, farmed out. People desiring to post letters for British India took them to the contractor's box at Patiala. This box was guarded by a State Sepoy, whose duty it was to see that, for every article posted, one pice was paid to him. These articles were stamped "G. P. O. Patiala" and were posted by the contractor at Rajpura, an Imperial Post Office, about 12 miles off, were he collected letters for Patiala to be delivered by him at a charge of one pice each. Of course a dishonest guard of the post-box had every opportunity to embezzle the money he got, as all he had to do was to destroy the letters, after which proof of his dishonesty was practically impossible.

Postal Workshops in Aligarh was then asked to prepare a more suitable overprint, in the nature, as it would appear, of a hand-stamp. His design was, however, found to be unsuitable. Again I must deplore the absence of specimens of all these essays. In the meantime Rai Daulat Bahadur and the Council of Regency had been thinking out the matter, and submitted a sample in which, Rai Daulat Ram informs me, the words "Patiala State" were placed one on each side of the Queen's head with the object of avoiding all disfiguration of the picture of the Sovereign. It was also asked that the name of the State should be spelled "Puttialla." The revised specimens prepared by the Press apparently still bore the surcharge horizontally, for, in returning them, the Durbar asked that the word "Puttialla", should be printed "in front of the crown," and "State" "at the back of the crown." The Superintendent of Stationery, Calcutta, was accordingly requested to arrange to overprint the stamps with "Puttialla State" "in red, on either side of the Queen's head." For Service stamps, the use of which had since been stipulated for by the Council of Regency the same words were to be "similarly overprinted, with the addition of the word 'Service' in black ink, across the stamp." This then, is the history of the curved surcharge, the nature of which has been fully described in the chapter on Jhind.

There are six varieties of surcharge on the stamps of Patiala. They are:—

1.	Red cu	rved	"Puttialla	" Small	black "	Service."
2.	,, ho	rizon	tal "	"	"	32
3.	,, TDI 1	"	3)	Large	red	"
4.	Black	"	- );	Small	black	"
5. 6.	"	"	D-4: 1	Large	"	"
0.	"	22	Patiala	"	"	))

The 1 anna Service value of the first, the 2 annas Service value of the third, and all the values of the sixth variety except 9 pies, 2, 3, and 5 rupees, are still current. There are however, very few of the 2 annas of the third variety left in stock and they will very soon be obsolete. The  $1\frac{1}{2}$  annas value in the last variety is nearly exhausted, and will not be reprinted.

The measurements of the various surcharges are: -

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1. Curved:—
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"PUTTIALLA" about  $13\frac{1}{2} \times 1\frac{3}{4}$  millimètres. "STATE"  $9 \times 1\frac{3}{4}$  ...

#### 2. "Puttialla State" horizontal:-

"Puttialla" ... 14 × 2 millimètres.

"STATE" ...  $7\frac{3}{4} \times 2$  ,,

Interval between the two words 1

## 3. "Patiala State":-

"Patiala"  $10\frac{1}{2} \times 2$  millimètres.

"STATE"  $7\frac{3}{4} \times 2$  ,

Interval between the two words 1

4. Small—"Service"  $8\frac{1}{2} \times 1\frac{3}{4}$  ,,

5. Large—"SERVICE"  $10\frac{1}{2} \times 2$ 

The following is a list of the various printings:-

### (1) May 1884.

ORDINARY STAMPS.				SERVICE STAMPS.				
1/2	anna			24,000	$\frac{1}{2}$ a	inna		6,000
1	,,			6,000	1	,,		6,000
2	annas	.,,		12,000	2 a	annas ···	,.	6,000

# (2) June 1884. Ordinary Stamps. Service Stamps.

$\frac{1}{2}$ anna 4 annas 8 , 1 rupee	25,920 2,566 480 480	½ anna .,. 1 ,,	193,920 382,080				
	(3) Decem	nber 1884.					
	ORDINARY	STAMPS.					
½ anna		•••	10,000				
These three	ee printin	gs comprise	the curved				
aurcharge isso	ue.						
	(4) Mai	reh 1885.					
ORDINARY S	TAMPS.	SERVICE	STAMPS.				
½ anna 1 ,, 2 annas 4 ,, 8 ,, 1 rupee	240,000 48,000 86,400 16,000 4,800 3,600	½ anna 2 ,,	360,000 480,000				
	(5) Jur	ne 1885.					
	SERVICE	STAMPS.					
1 anna			480,000				
After this date only the "Large Service" vas used.							
	(6) Nove	mber 1885.					
	Service	STAMPS.					
2 annas	•••	• • • exert	240,000				

After	this	date	all	surcharges	were	in	black
only.							

only.			
	(7) Ma	rch 1889.	
	ORDINAF	RY STAMPS.	
1 anna		100	24,000
	(8) Sente	ember 1890.	
½ anna	SERVIC	SE STAMPS.	480,000
After this 'Patiala,''	date all	surcharges	are spelled
	(9) Febr	ruary 1891.	
-	ORDINAR	LY STAMPS.	
1 anna			120,000
	(10) Nov	ember 1891.	
ORDINARY ST	TAMPS.	SERVICE S	STAMPS.
9 pies 1½ annas 3 ,, 6 ,, 12 ,,	24,000 24,000 24,000 32,000 24,000	3 annas 4 ,, 6 ,, 8 ,, 12 ,, 1 rupee (grey)	24,000 24,000 32,000 24,000 24,000 24,000
	(11) M	Iay 1892.	
	ORDINAR	Y STAMPS.	
½ anna		•••	600,000
	(12) Ma	arch 1894.	
	ORDINAR	Y STAMPS.	
1 anna		. 000	960

	(13) Sep	otember	1895.	
	SERVIC	CE STAMPS	s.	
$\frac{1}{2}$ anna $4$ annas			 	720,000 240,000
	(14) No	vember	1895.	
	ORDINA	ARY STAM	Ps.	
2 rupees 3 ,, 5 ,,		•••	•••	450 400 300
	SERVI	CE STAMPS	S.	
1 anna 4 annas				720,000 240,000
	(15)	March 18	896.	
	ORDIN	ARY STAM	PS.	
2 annas				24,240
	(16) Sej	ptember	1896.	
	ORDINA	ARY STAM	PS.	
4 annas	•••			12,240
1 rupee new t	ype		•••	$ \begin{array}{ccc} & 12,240 \\ & 6,240 \end{array} $
	(17)	May 1	898.	
	ORDINA	ARY STAM	PS.	
2 annas				24,240
	(18) De	ecember	1898.	
	ORDIN	ARY STAM	PS.	
1 anna 4 annas	•••			48,240 19,440
		ICE STAMP		19,440
2 annas 8 ,,			•••	19,440 7,440

The following is a list of number of stamps of each value found in each printing. In the first variety, i.e., curved red surcharge there were:—

		ORDINA	RY STA	MPS.		
1 2	anna					59,920
1	,,					6,000
2	annas	•••				12,000
4	,,		•••		•••	25,60
8	,,	•••	•••	- eh.***	•••	480 480
1	rupee	•••	•••	•••	•••	480
				Total	•••	81,440
		SERVIC	E STA	MPS.		
1 2	anna					199,920
1	,,			•••		
2	,,	•••				6,000
				Total		594,000
				GRAND TOTAL		675,440
Ir	the seco	nd variety t	here v	vere:—		
		J				
		ORDINA	RY STA	MPS.		
$\frac{1}{2}$	anna			•••	•••	240,000
2 4	annas	•••			•••	86,400
1	rupee	•••	•••			16,000 3,600
1	rupic	***		•••	•••	5,000
				Total		346,000
		SERVICE	STAM	PS.		
$\frac{1}{2}$	anna					360,000
				Total		360,000
				GRAND TOTAL		706,000
T	he only st	tamps of the	thir	d variety are	:	
		SERVIC	E STAI	MPS.		
2	annas				•••	240,000
				GRAND TOTAL	•••	240,000

The fourth variety, totals	:
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		ORDINARY	STAMPS.			
1 8	anna annas	•••				72,000 4,800
				Total		76,800
		SERVICE	STAMPS.			
1	a <b>n</b> na	•••				480,000
				Total	-01	480,000

## The fifth variety consisted of:

#### SERVICE STAMPS.

$\frac{1}{2}$	anna	•••		•••	•••	480,000
				Total		480,000
			(	GRAND TOTAL		480,000

GRAND TOTAL .. 556,800

The numbers in the sixth variety, i.e., surcharged "Patiala State" so far have been:—

#### ORDINARY STAMPS.

$\frac{1}{2}$	anna					600,000
		•••		17.5		
9	pies				• • •	24,000
1	anna			0.00		169,200
$1\frac{1}{2}$	annas	•••				24,000
2	19.		***			48,480
3	,,		***	000		24,000
4	, (olive)					31,680
2 3 4 6 8	,,					32,000
	,,	•••	***			12,240
12	"					24,000
1 2 3 5	rupee (current	type)		•••		6,240
2	rupees					450
3	"					400
5	,,		000			300
						to the last
				Total		998,990

#### SERVICE STAMPS.

$\frac{1}{2}$	anna	 	 	1,440,000
2	annas	 	 	19,680
3	,,	 	 	504,000
4	"	 	 	24,000
6	,,	 	 	32,000
8	,,	 	 	31,440
12	,,	 	 	24,000
1	rupee (grey)	 	 	24,000

Total ... 2,099,120

GRAND TOTAL ... 3,098,110

The total numbers of adhesives printed for this State up to date are, therefore, 4,253,120 Service stamps and 1,503,230 Ordinary stamps, in all 5,756,350.

Of this number nearly 60 per cent are of the  $\frac{1}{2}$  anna value, while these with the 1 anna value account for nearly 80 per cent of the whole.

Taking again the test of numbers printed, the rarest stamps of this State should be:—

1.	5	rupees	ordinary	" Patiala"		
2.	3	,,	,,	,,		
3.	2	,,	,,	,,		
4.	(8	annas rupee (grey)	,,	curved		
	1	rupee (grey)	,,	,,		

I regret to have to say that the stamps of this State have suffered considerably from so-called "reprints," which owe their origin to orders given by the officer whose duty it was to control the State's indents, and which, however innocent their origin may have been, may more appropriately be called "official forgeries". They are:—

(1) "PUTTIALLA STATE" horizontal (a) in red.

ORDINARY STAMPS.

 $\frac{1}{2}$  anna green 2 annas blue

4 ,, green

1 rupee grey

SERVICE STAMPS.

 $\frac{1}{2}$  anna green 2 annas service

(b). In black.

ORDINARY STAMPS.

l anna plum 8 annas mauve

SERVICE STAMPS.

1 anna plum

As most of these are printed in the correct type they are extremely dangerous. The \( \frac{1}{2} \) anna "Service" reprint fortunately has its "Service" large and in red, which at once betrays it, while the 1 anna "Service" masquerades with a large "Service" which it never had in reality. I fear that there is no way of recognizing the others except in the sheet. There were only 500 of each of these "reprints." Comparatively few have so far got into private collections, and all that are left have been rendered harmless by an additional surcharge "Reprint." It is some comfort that these bastards contain none of the errors which characterise the genuine stamps.

#### (2) "AUTTIALLA STATE" (a) in red.

ORDINARY STAMPS.

2 annas blue

1 rupee grey

(b). In black.

ORDINARY STAMPS.

1 anna green

1 anna plum

2 annas blue

4 ,, green

8 ,, mauve

1 rupee grey

These are absurdities. The error "Auttialla" occurred once in each sheet of the 4th printing on the star water-marked stamps, i.e., on the ½, 1, 2, 8 annas and 1 rupee ordinary, and on the ½ and 1 anna service stamps. The "reprint" gives the error on every stamp in the sheet in colours and on values where it never occurred. They are very easily detected, as figs. 9 and 10 will show. Fig. 9 represents the genuine article and fig. 10 the reprint. The genuine stamps, besides other minor differences, have the surcharge "STATE' so badly spaced that it measures  $8\frac{1}{2}$  millimètres, as against  $7\frac{3}{4}$  in the "reprint." Only one sheet of each value was printed, comparatively few ever got out, and the rest have been duly surcharged "REPRINT."

## (3) "PATIALA STATE."

SERVICE STAMPS

1 rupee carmine and green

When this was produced, or why, I have not been able to ascertain. This stamp has, so far not been supplied at all to Patiala, where the old grey variety is still current. The one sheet which exists of this is not likely to do much harm.

# (4) "PATIALA STATE."

SERVICE STAMPS.

anna green
, plum
annas blue

These owe their origin to the mistaken zeal of an acting officer, who had them printed in 1894. The l anna stamp has so far not been prepared at all for service use with the PATIALA overprint, the \(\frac{1}{2}\) anna value did not appear till the end of 1895, and the 2 annas will see the light about the same time as this book. These "reprints" exist in quantities of only 500 each, and would not much matter, but that they have some errors in the sheet, e. g. P ATIALA, AND STATE; and that in printing them a waste sheet of each got the imprint "Service" upside-down. Unfortunately a portion of each of these error sheets was preserved.

Like others, I was a devout believer in the genuineness of these "reprints" till, quite recently, I began to study their history carefully. I fear that some number of them have been sold and exchanged in good faith by various collectors in ignorance of their real nature. I ought to add, in justice to the perpetrators of these philatelic crimes, that I have every reason to believe that they had no intention whatever to defraud philatelists, but erred in ignorance of the enormity of their error. The history of their production soon became forgotten, their authors passed out of office, and these useless labels were able to pass as real stamps.

The "Auttialla" error is unique in the history of the stamps of these States as having been noticed by the State Authorities and objected to by them (see paper No. XIV, in the Appendix).

.. 2,000

The numbers actually printed of this error and of each of the errors Nos. 52-69, 82, 87, 104-116, and 132-137 were:

#### ORDINARY STAMPS.

	1 anna	•••				1,000
1	,,				•••	200
1 2	annas	•••		•••	••	360
8	•,		• • •	***	•••	20
1	rupee (grey)			•••		12
		SERVICE STAMPS.				
	l anna					1.500

1 ,,

I had not seen any forgeries of these stamps which need annoy any but the most careless collectors, till Captain Hancock showed me a "set" of "PUTITIALLA" errors which had been offered to him for sale. They were the ordinary "Puttialla State" stamps with an "I" inserted between the two "Ts." The length of the word "Putitialla" was therefore only 14 millimètres, while in the genuine error, the length is 15 millimètres. They were also betrayed by the presence of the 2 annas Service and the 4 annas Ordinary values, in which this error did not occur.

There are two stamps in this State which are very difficult to class. I refer to the 8 annas ordinary curved surcharge, and the 1 anna, ordinary, horizontal "Puttialla" surcharge with two overprints, one in red and the other in black. It seems certain that the former at least did not form any portion of the stock actually supplied to the State, but more than this, I cannot say. Their numbers and their origin are quite unknown, so far as I have been able to ascertain. I have classed them, for convenience sake, as errors. The 1 anna stamp is found of course with duplicate

copies of all the errors which occured in the 4th printing. I have not attempted to class the following:—

"PUTTIALLA STATE."

BLACK Surcharge.

ORDINARY STAMPS.

 $\frac{1}{2}$  anna green 2 annas blue

4 ., olive

1 rupee grey

SERVICE STAMPS.

2 annas blue

These are very rare, and are probably trials of a black surcharge on these stamps made when it was proposed to abandon the use of red ink altogether. I believe that only 20 or 30 of each value ever existed. They are, of course, only "essays," but appear to be worthy of the attention of specialists.

The errors Nos. 18-33 occurred in the second printing where the word "Service" was very carelessly surcharged.

No. 70 is a very curious error, the origin of which it is not easy to follow. The only copy I have seen belongs to Mr. Younghusband.

The seventh printing appears to have had all its surcharges spaced with  $1\frac{1}{2}$  millimètres between the two words (No. 119.)

In the PATIALA issue, the letter I is omitted in Service only on a very few of the sheets I have seen. How this occured I do not pretend to say. The 3 annas with the letters RVI missing is due to some paper having covered a small portion of the stamp while being surcharged.

I am unable to say whether errors Nos. 340-350 occurred in the thirteenth or fourteenth printing.

The errors (Nos. 254, 255, 256) in the high values are very rare indeed. They occured only once in each sheet of 96; *i. e.*, only 5, 4, and 3 times each. As regards the PAŢIALA and SṬATE errors please refer to the remarks on p. 15 of Part I.

Error No. 139 is chronicled on the London Philatelist of June 1892.

I have purposely omitted all such cases of broken type as FATIALA, PJTTIALLA &c., as well as the creations of dirty or badly inked type, such as STATE.



## RARITRY

I. Red surcharge "PUTTIALLA STATE," in two vertical curved lines both reading upwards and so arranged as to form a rough ellipse.

## (a) Ordinary Stamps

1884. WATERMARKED STAR. (FIG. 1.)

1  $\frac{1}{2}$  anna green
2 1 ,, plum
3 2 annas blue
4 8 ,, mauve
5 1 rupee grey

WATERMARKED ELEPHANT'S HEAD.

6 | 4 annas green

### ERRORS.

- I. SURCHARGE REVERSED, i e., READING DOWNWARDS.

  WATERMARKED STAR.
  - 7 | 8 annas mauve
    - 2. SURCHARGE PRINTED IN RED OVER BLACK.

SAME WATERMARK.

- 8 8 annas mauve.
- 8. DOUBLE SURCHARGE, ONE BEING HORIZONTAL.
  SAME WATERMARK.
- $9 \mid \frac{1}{2}$  anna green

## I (b) Service Stamps.

1884. WATERMARKED STAR.

15  $\begin{vmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & \text{anna} & \text{green} \end{vmatrix}$ 16  $\begin{vmatrix} 1 & \dots & \text{plum} \end{vmatrix}$ 17  $\begin{vmatrix} 2 & \text{annas} & \text{blue} \end{vmatrix}$ 

## ERRORS.

- 1. SERVICE. WATERMARKED STAR. (FIG. 2.)
- $18 \left| \frac{1}{2} \text{ anna} \right|$  green
- 19 1 ,, plum
  - 2. SERVICE. SAME WATERMARK. (FIG. 3.)
- 20 1 anna green
- 21 1 ,, plum
  - 3. SERVICE. SAME WATERMARK. (FIG. 4.)
- 22  $\frac{1}{2}$  anna green 23 1 ,, plum

4. SERVICE. SAME WATERMARK. (FIG. 5.)

 $26 \mid \frac{1}{2} \text{ anna} \quad \text{green}$ 

27 1 ,, plum

5. SERVICE. SAME WATERMARK. (FIG. 6.)

 $28 \mid \frac{1}{2} \text{ anna} \quad \text{green}$ 

29 1 ,, plum

6. SERVI<sup>C</sup>E. SAME WATERMARK. (FIG. 7.)

 $30 \mid \frac{1}{2} \text{ anna} \quad \text{green}$ 

31 1 " plum

7. SERVICE. SAME WATERMARK. (FIG. 8.)

32 anna green

33 1 " plum

# II. Red horizontal surcharge "PUTTIALLA STATE."

## (a) Ordinary Stamps.

1885. WATERMARKED STAR.

 $45 \mid \frac{1}{2}$  anna green

46 2 annas blue

47 1 rupee grey

1885. WATERMARKED ELEPHANT'S HEAD.

48 | 4 annas green

#### ERRORS.

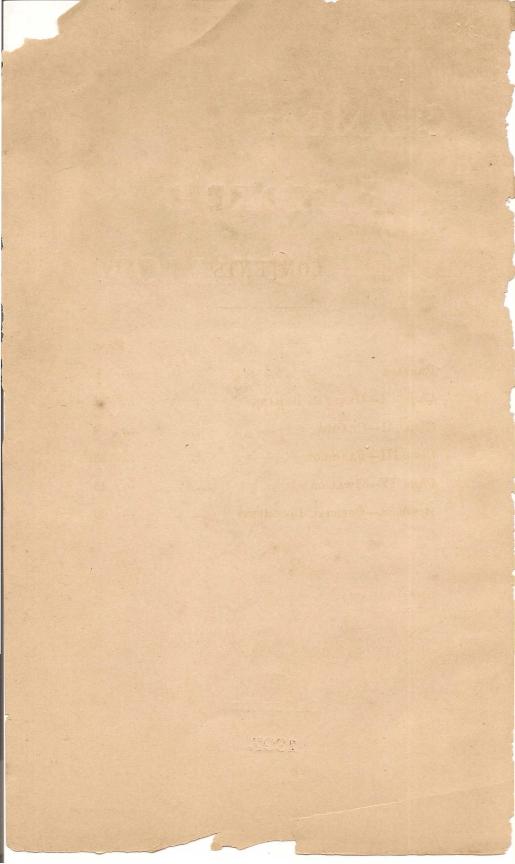
- i. AUTTIALLA. WATERMARKED STAR. (FIG. 9.)
- 49 | ½ anna green
- 50 2 annas blue
- 51 1 rupee grey
  - 2. PUTTILLA. SAME WATERMARK.
- $52 \mid \frac{1}{2} \text{ anna} \quad \text{green}$
- 53 2 annas blue
- 54 1 rupee grey

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3. PUTITIALLA. SAME WATERMARK. (FIG. 11.)
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- $55 \mid \frac{1}{2} \text{ anna} \quad \text{green}$
- 56 2 annas blue
- 57 1 rupee grey
  - 4. IPUTTIALLA. SAME WATERMARK. (FIG. 12.)
- $58 \mid \frac{1}{2} \text{ anna} \quad \text{green}$
- 59 2 annas blue
- 60 1 rupee grey
  - 5. STATE. SAME WATERMARK. (FIG. 13.)
- $61 \mid \frac{1}{2}$  anna green
- 62 2 annas blue
- 63 1 rupee grey

WATERMARKED ELEPHANT'S HEAD.

- 64 | 4 annas green
  - 6. ISTATE. WATERMARKED STAR.
- 65 | ½ anna green
- 66 2 annas blue
- 67 1 rupee grey
  - 7. STATE. SAME WATERMARK. (FIG. 14.)
- 68 | ½ anna green
- 69 2 annas blue
- 70 1 rupee grey



# 8. PUTTIALLA omitted altogether. Same Watermark. (Fig. 15.)

 $71 \mid \frac{1}{2}$  anna green

9. S of STATE under U instead of under first T of PUTTIALLA. SAME WATERMARK. (FIG. 17.)

72  $\frac{1}{2}$  anna green

73 2 annas blue

74 1 rupee grey

## II. (b) Service Stamps.

(1). With additional small black surcharge "SERVICE"

1885. WATERMARKED STAR.

80 | 1 anna green

#### ERRORS.

- 1. AUTTIALLA. WATERMARKED STAR (FIG 9.)
- $81 \mid \frac{1}{2}$  anna green
  - 2. PUTTILLA. SAME WATERMARK.
- 82 | ½ anna green
  - 3. PUTITIALLA. SAME WATERMARK. (FIG. 11.)
- $83 \mid \frac{1}{2} \text{ anna}$  green
  - 4. IPUTTIALLA. SAME WATERMARK. (FIG. 12.)
- 84 | ½ anna green
  - 5. STATE. SAME WATERMARK. (FIG. 13.)
- $85 \mid \frac{1}{2}$  anna green
  - 6. ISTATE. SAME WATERMARK.
- 86 | ½ anna green

### 7. STATE. SAME WATERMARK. (FIG. 14.)

- 87 | ½ anna green
- 8. S of STATE under U instead of under first T of PUTTIALLA.

SAME WATERMARK. (FIG. 17.)

- 88 | 1 anna green
  - 9. Double surcharge of "SERVICE." SAME WATERMARK.
- 90 |  $\frac{1}{2}$  anna green

## II. (b) Service Stamps.

(2). With additional large red surcharge "SERVICE"

1885. WATERMARKED STAR.

95 | 2 annas blue

#### ERRORS.

- 1. PUTT ALLA. WATERMARKED STAR. (FIG. 18.)
- 96 | 2 annas blue
  - 2. SERVICE, SAME WATERMARKED. (FIG. 17.)
- 97 | 2 annas blue

S of STATE under U instead of under first T of PUTTIALLA.

SAME WATERMARK. (FIG. 17.)

98 | 2 annas blue

# III. Black horizontal surcharge "PUTTIALLA STATE."

## (a) Ordinary Stamps.

1885. WATERMARKED STAR.

100 | 1 anna plum

101 8 annas mauve

#### ERRORS.

- 1. AUTTIALLA. WATERMARKED STAR. (FIG. 9.)
- 102 | 1 anna plum
- 103 8 annas mauve
  - 2. PUTTILLA. SAME WATERMARK.
- 104 1 anna plum
- 105 8 annas mauve
  - 3. PUTITIALLA. SAME WATERMARK. (FIG. 11.)
- 106 | 1 anna plum
- 107 8 annas mauve

- 4. IPUTTIALLA. SAME WATERMARK. (FIG. 12.)
- 108 | 1 anna plum
- 109 8 annas mauve
  - 5. STATE. SAME WATERMARK. (FIG. 13.)
- 110 | l anna plum
- 111 8 annas mauve
  - 6. Surcharged in red and black.

SAME WATERMARK. (FIG. 19.)

- 112 | 1 anna plum
  - 7. ISTATE. SAME WATERMARK.
- 113 | 1 anna plum
- 114 8 annas mauve
  - 8. STATE. SAME WATERMARK. (FIG. 14)
- 115 | 1 anna plum
- 116 8 annas mauve

9. S of STATE under U instead of under first T of PUTTIALLA
SAME WATERMARK. (FIG. 17.)

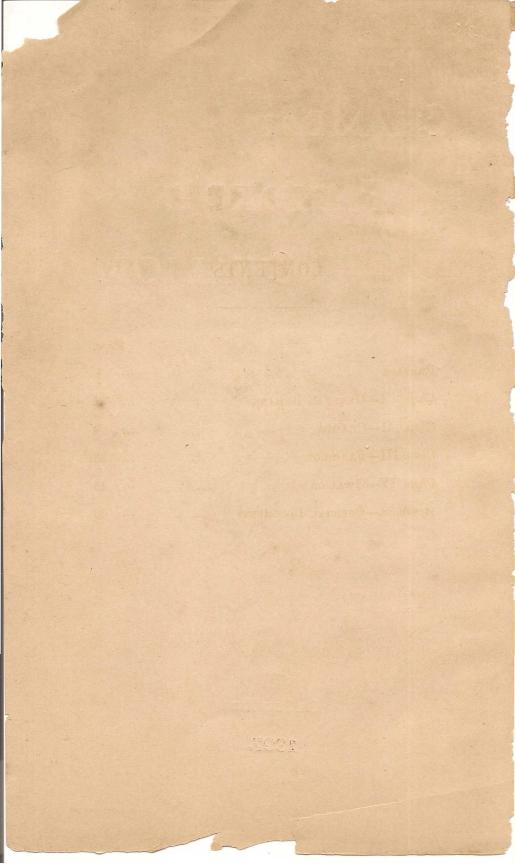
117 | 1 anna plum

118 8 annas mauve

10.  $1\frac{1}{2}$  millimètres between "PUTTIALLA" and "STATE" SAME WATERMARK. (FIG. 16.)

119 | 1 anna plum

Note.—Error No. 6 shows all the errors numbered 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, and 9 in duplicate, i. e., in red and in black.



## III. (b) Service Stamps.

(I.) With additional small black surcharge "SERVICE."

1885. WATERMARKED STAR.

130 | 1 anna plum

#### ERRORS.

- 1. AUTTIALLA. WATERMARKED STAR. (FIG.9.)
- 131 | 1 anna plum
  - 2. PUTTILLA. SAME WATERMARK.
- 132 | 1 anna plum
  - 3. PUTITIALLA. SAME WATERMARK. (FIG. 11.)
- 133 | 1 anna plum
  - 4. IPUTTIALLA. SAME WATERMARK. (FIG. 12.)
- 134 | 1 anna plum
  - 5. STATE. SAME WATERMARK. (FIG. 13.)
- 135 1 anna plum
  - 6. I STATE. SAME WATERMARK.
- 136 1 anna plum

7. STATE. SAME WATERMARK. (FIG. 14.)

137 | 1 anna plum

8. S of STATE under U instead of under first T in PUTTIALLA.

SAME WATERMARK. (FIG. 17.)

138 | 1 anna plum

9. Double surcharge of "SERVICE," one occurring inverted on lower portion of stamp.

SAME WATERMARK.

139 | 1 anna plum

## III. (b) Service Stamps.

(2) With additional large black surcharge "SERVICE."

1890. WATERMARKED STAR.

145 | 1 anna green

#### ERRORS.

- 1. PUTTIALLA. WATERMARKED STAR. (FIG. 20.)
- 146 | 1 anna green
  - 2. PUTTIALLA. SAME WATERMARK. (FIG. 21.)
- $147 \mid \frac{1}{2}$  anna green
  - 3. PUTTIALLA. Same Watermark. (fig. 22.)
- 148 | ½ anna green
  - 4. PUTTIAL<sup>L</sup>A. Same Watermark. (fig. 23.)
- 150 | 1 anna green
  - 5. STATE. SAME WATERMARK. (FIG. 13.)
- 151  $\frac{1}{2}$  anna green

- 6. ISERVICE. SAME WATERMARK. (FIG. 24.)

  152 | ½ anna green
- 7. SERVICE. SAME WATERMARK. (FIG. 25.)  $153\mid \frac{1}{2} \text{ anna green}$
- 8. SERVICE. SAME WATERMARK. (FIG. 26.) 154  $|\frac{1}{2}|$  anna green
  - 9. S of STATE under U instead of under first T of PUTTIALLA. SAME WATERMARK. (FIG. 17.)
- $156 \mid \frac{1}{2}$  anna green
  - 10. S of STATE between the two Ts.

SAME WATERMARK.

157 |  $\frac{1}{2}$  anna green

# IV. Black Horizontal Surcharge "PATIALA STATE."

## (a) Ordinary Stamps.

FEB. 1891. WATERMARKED STAR.

160 | 1 anna plum

Nov. 1891. SAME WATERMARK.

161 | 9 pies carmine

162 1½ annas brown

163 3 ,, orange

164 12 ,, brown on red

WATERMARKED ELEPHANT'S HEAD.

165 | 6 annas bistre

1892. WATERMARKED STAR.

166 | ½ anna green

SEPT. 1895. SAME WATERMARK.

167 | 4 annas olive

Nov. 1895. SAME WATERMARK.

168 2 rupees yellow brown and carmine

169 3 ,, green and brown

170 5 ,, violet and ultramarine

#### 1896. SAME WATERMARK.

171 | 2 annas blue

172 8 ,, mauve

173 1 rupee carmine and green

### ERRORS.

1. STATE. WATERMARKED STAR. (FIG. 27.)

175 | 1 anna green

176 9 pies carmine

177 l anna plum

178 11 annas brown

179 2 ,, blue

180 3 ,, orange

181 4 ,, olive

182 12 ,, brown on red

2. PATIALA. SAME WATERMARK. (FIG. 28.)

185 | ½ anna green

186 9 pies carmine

187 1 anna plum

188 11 annas brown

189 3 ,, orange

190 12 , brown on red

#### WATERMARKED ELEPHANT'S HEAD.

### 194 | 6 annas bistre

### 3. PATIALA. WATERMARKED STAR. (FIG. 29.)

195 | ½ anna green

196 9 pies carmine

197 1 anna plum

198 11 annas brown

199 3 ,, orange

200 12 ,, brown on red

#### WATERMARKED ELEPHANT'S HEAD.

#### 201 | 6 annas bistre

## 4. PATIALA. WATERMARKED STAR. (FIG. 30.)

204 | 1 anna green

205 9 pies carmine

206 1 anna plum

207  $1\frac{1}{2}$  annas brown

208 3 ,, orange

209 | 12 ,, brown on red

#### WATERMARKED ELEPHANT'S HEAD.

210 | 6 annas bistre

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5. PATIALA. WATERMARKED STAR. (FIG. 31.)
212
    1 anna green
     9 pies carmine
213
     1 anna plum
214
215
     11 annas brown
216
    3
         ., orange
         " brown on red
127 12
            WATERMARKED ELEPHANT'S HEAD
218 | 6 annas bistre
     6. PATIALA. WATERMARKED STAR. (FIG. 32.)
221 \frac{1}{2} anna green
    9 pies carmine
222
223 1 anna plum
224 1 annas brown
    3 ,, orange
225
226 12 ,, brown on red
         PATIALA. SAME WATERMARK. (FIG. 33.)
227 | 1 anna green
228
     9 pies carmine
    1 anna plum
229
230 11 annas brown
231 3
        " orange
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232 12 ,, brown on red

# 8. PAŢIALA. SAME WATERMARK, (FIG. 34.)

233  $\frac{1}{2}$  anna green

234 9 pies carmine

235 1 anna plum

236  $1\frac{1}{2}$  annas brown

237 3 ,, orange

238 12 ,, brown on red

#### WATERMARKED ELEPHANT'S HEAD.

### 239 | 6 annas bistre

# 9. STATE. WATERMARKED STAR. (FIG. 35.)

## 240 | 1 anna green

# 10. PATIALA. SAME WATERMARK. (FIG. 36.)

240a 1 anna green

241 9 pies carmine

242 1 anna plum

243 11 annas brown

244 3 ,, orange

245 12 ,, brown on red

## 11. pATIALA. SAME WATERMARK. (FIG. 37.)

246 | ½ anna green

247 9 pies carmine

248 1 anna plum

249 1 annas brown

250 3 ,, orange

251 12 ,, brown on red

12. PATIALA. WATERMARKED ELEPHANT'S HEAD. (FIG. 38.)

252 | 6 annas bistre

13. PATIALA followed by a rough colon, and STATE followed by a full stop.

WAFERMARKED STAR. (FIG. 39.)

254 | 2 rupees yellow-brown and carmine

255 3 ,, green and brown

256 5 ,, violet and ultramarine

# IV. (b) Service Stamps.

# With additional black surcharge "SERVICE."

#### 1891. WATERMARKED STAR.

260 3 annas orange

261 4 ,, olive

262 8 ,, mauve

263 12 ,, brown on red

264 1 rupee grey

WATERMARKED ELEPHANT'S HEAD.

265 | 6 annas bistre

1895, WATERMARKED STAR.

266 | ½ anna green

1898. SAME WATERMARK.

267 | 2 annas blue

### ERRORS.

1. STATE. WATERMARKED STAR. (FIG. 27.)

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271 \frac{1}{2} anna green
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272 3 annas orange

273 4 ,, olive

274 8 ,, mauve

275 12 ,, brown on red

276 1 rupee green

### 2. PATIALA. SAME WATERMARK. (FIG. 28.)

277 | 3 annas orange

278 4 ,, olive

279 8 " mauve

280 12 ,, brown on red

281 1 rupee grey

### WATERMARKED ELEPHANT'S HEAD.

### 282 | 6 annas bistre

3. PATIALA. WATERMARKED STAR. (FIG. 29.)

283 3 annas orange

284 4 ,, olive

285 8 ,, mauve

286 12 ,, brown on red

287 1 rupee grey

#### WATERMARKED ELEPHANT'S HEAD.

288 6 annas bistre

4. PATIALA. WATERMARKED STAR. (FIG. 30.)

289 | 3 annas orange

290 4 ,, olive

201 8 ,, mauve

202 12 ,, brown on red

293 1 rupee grey

WATERMARKED ELEPHANT'S HEAD.

294 | 6 annas bistre

5. PATIALA. WATERMARKED STAR. (FIG. 31.)

295 3 annas orange

296 4 ,, olive

297 8 ,, mauve

298 12 ,, brown on red

200 1 rupee grey

WATERMARKED ELEPHANT'S HEAD.

300 | 6 annas bistre

6. PATIALA. WATERMARKED STAR. (FIG. 32.)

301 | 3 annas orange

302 4 ,, olive

303 8 ,, mauve

304 12 ,, brown on red

305 1 rupee grey

321

322

323 12

4

8 ,,

324 1 rupee grey

mauve

,, brown on red

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7. PATIALA. SAME WATERMARK. (FIG. 33.)
306 | 3 annas orange
307
              olive
308
              mauve
309 12
        19
              brown on red
310 1 rupee grey
      8. PAŢIALA. SAME WATERMARK. (FIG. 34.)
    1 anna green
312
     3 annas orange
              olive
313
     8
              mauve
314
          99
315
    12
              brown on red
316 1 rupee
              grey
             WATERMARKED ELEPHANT'S HEAD.
317 | 6 annas bistre
      9. PATIALA. WATERMARKED STAR. (FIG. 40.)
318 | ½ anna green
310 4 annas olive
      10. PATIALA. SAME WATERMARK. (FIG. 36.)
     3 annas orange
320
         " olive
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11. pATIALA. SAME WATERRMARK. (FIG. 37.)
     3 annas orange
325
326
             olive
327
             mauve
328
    12
             brown on red
329
    1
        rupee grey
        PATIALA WATERMARKED ELEPHANT'S HEAD.
                        (FIG. 38.)
330 6 annas bistre
   13. STATE preceded by a colon. WATERMARKED STAR.
                       (FIG. 41.)
      1 anna green
    4 annas olive
      14. SERV CE.
                      SAME WATERMARK. (FIG. 42.)
     1 anna green
333
     3 annas orange
334
         " olive
335
         " mauve
336
337
    12
          " brown on red
338
    1
       rupee grey
              CE. SAME WATERMARK. (FIG. 44.)
          SE
339 | 3 annas orange
         15. C of SERVICE from different fount.
              SAME WATERMARK. (FIG. 45.)
      1 anna green
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4 annas olive

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16. SERVICE. SAME WATERMARK. (FIG. 43.)
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342 | ½ anna green

343 4 annas olive

17. SERVICE. SAME WATERMARK. (FIG. 46.)

347 | ½ anna green

348 4 annas olive

18. SERVICE. SAME WATERMARK. (FIG. 47.)

349 \frac{1}{2} anna green

350 4 annas olive

19. SERVICE. SAME WATERMARK.

351 | ½ anna green

352 4 annas olive

20. SERVICE. SAME WATERMARK.

353  $\frac{1}{2}$  anna green

354 1 annas olive

# Chapter VIII.

## ADDENDA & CONCLUDING REMARKS.

Since the appearance of Part I of this work, the following indents from Chamba, Faridkot, and Gwalior have been received and complied with:—

### 1. CHAMBA (SEPTEMBER 1898.)

		ORDINARY.			SE	RVICE STAI	MPS.	
$\frac{1}{2}$	anna	•••	 16,320	$\frac{1}{2}$	anna		•••	16,320
1	22		 5,040	1	,,	•••	•••	14,640
13	annas	•••	 6,720	2	annas		000	4,320
1½ 2 3 4 6	,,		 2,640	3	,,		•••	1,280
3	,,	•••	 1,920	4				1,440
4	,,		 1,440	6		•••	•••	1,440
6	,,	100	 1,654	8	,,			1,440
8	11		 1,260	12	,,			960
12	,,		 1,200	1	rupee	(new type)	)	1,040
1	rupee		 1,260		- 75-6			

# 2. FARIDKOT (DECEMBER 1898.)

	ORD	INARY	STAMPS.		S	SERVICE S	TAMPS.	
1 1	anna			24,240 12,240	$\frac{1}{2}$ anna $1$ ,, $3$ anna $1$ rupe	•••		12,240 12,240 2,640 720

# 3. GWALIOR (SEPTEMBER 1898.)

ORD	INARY	STAMPS.		S	ERVICE	STAMPS.	
½ anna			72,240	½ anna			384,240
Ī ,,			24,240	1 ,,	***	pet 0	192,240
2 annas			24,240				
3 ,,		•••	24,240				

We must, therefore add to the Chamba Reference List, at page 26, as follows:—

1898. WATERMARKED STAR.

208(a) | 1 rupee carmine and green and to the Faridkot Reference List, at page 42.

1898. WATERMARKED STAR.

58 ] 1 rupee carmine and green

I have also to add the following errors to those already noted in the various Reference Lists:—







3.



5.



6.



INDIA POSTACE

8.

9

# 1. GEHMBH.

# (a) Ordinary Stamps. (page 24)

15. ICHAMBA. Watermarked Elephant's Head. (Fig. 1.)

133 | 6 annas bistre

16. C of CHAMBA from a larger fount.

Same Watermark. (Fig. 2.)

134 | 6 annas bistre

WATERMARKED STAR.

135 1 anna green 1 ,, 136 plum 2 annas blue 137 138 3 ,, orange olive 139 8 ,, 140 mauve brown on red 12 ,, 141 1 rupee grey 142

# (b) Service Stamps (page 31.)

16. C of CHAMBA from a larger fount.
WATERMARKED ELEPHANT'S HEAD. (FIG. 2.)

290 | 6 annas bistre

#### WATERMARKED STAR.

291	1	anna	plum
292	2	annas	blue
293	3	,,	órange
294	4	,,	olive
295	8	,,	mauve
296	12	,,	brown on red
297	1	rupee	grey

Captain Hancock has also shown me a 1 anna ordinary stamp with the C somewhat resembling a G. This, however, I am inclined to look upon as a defective letter.

# FARIDKOZ.

# (a) Ordinary Stamps. (page 41.)

- 5. IFARIDKOT. Watermarked Elephant's Head. (Fig. 3.)
- 36 | 6 annas bistre
  - 6. ISTATE. SAME WATERMARK. (FIG. 4.)
- 37 | 6 annas bistre
  - 7. T of FARIDKOT from a larger fount.

    SAME WATERMARK. (FIG. 5.)
- 38 | 6 annas bistre
  - 8. ARIDKOT. SAME WATERMARK. (FIG. 6.)
- 39 6 annas bistre
  - 9. STATE. WATERMARKED STAR. (FIG. 7.)
- 40  $\frac{1}{2}$  anna green
- 41 1 ,, plum
- 42 2 annas blue
- 43 3 ,, orange
- 44 4 ,, olive
- 45 8 ,, mauve
- 46 1 rupee carmine and green

# (b) Service Stamps. (page 44.)

7. STATE. WATERMARKED STAR. (FIG. 7.)

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92 | ½ anna green
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93 1 ,, plum

Q4 2 annas blue

95 4 ,, olive

96 8 ,, mauve

8. ICESERVICE. SAME WATERMARK. (FIG. 8.)

97 3 annas orange

9. SERVICE. WATERMARKED ELEPHANT'S HEAD.
(FIG. 9.)

## 98 | 6 annas bistre

The three errors in the 6 annas ordinary stamp occur twice in each sheet of the 10th printing, i. e., 13 or 14 times each in all. The curious error No. 8 in the service stamps I found once on one sheet of the 3 annas value only. It is owing to an accidental double surcharge.

# GWHLIOR.

# (b) Service Stamps. (FIG. 68.)

ग्वालियर measuring 15 millimètres and
 मर्बिस 12 millimètres.

SAME WATERMARK.

167 | 1 anna green

4. गवालिथर measuring 15½ millimètres.

SAME WATERMARK.

168 | ½ anna green

These errors were shown to me by Mr. Chard only just before the book went finally to Press, which explains their absence from Plate VIII. I do not know to what printings they are to be attributed, and cannot, therefore, at present determine in what other values the errors occurred.

I have ascertained that Nos. 19-22 in the Gwalior reference list, i. e.,  $\frac{1}{2}$ , 2, and 4 annas and 1 rupee with the short red surcharge have been reprinted in quantities of about 500 each. These reprints are, taken singly, very dangerous and are practically indistinguishable from the genuine article. Fortunately very few indeed have found their way into collections, and the remainder have been rendered harmless by the word "Reprint" which has been stamped on all of them. The same treatment, I am glad to say, has been

applied to all the other reprints mentioned in this book, so that collectors have little to fear now even from those varieties where the original surcharge was most closely imitated.

There will be no more  $1\frac{1}{2}$  anna stamps printed for these States. The stamp has been discontinued in British India, and  $\hat{a}$  fortiori, it is not required in these States. The following values are, therefore, all now, or about to be, obsolete:—

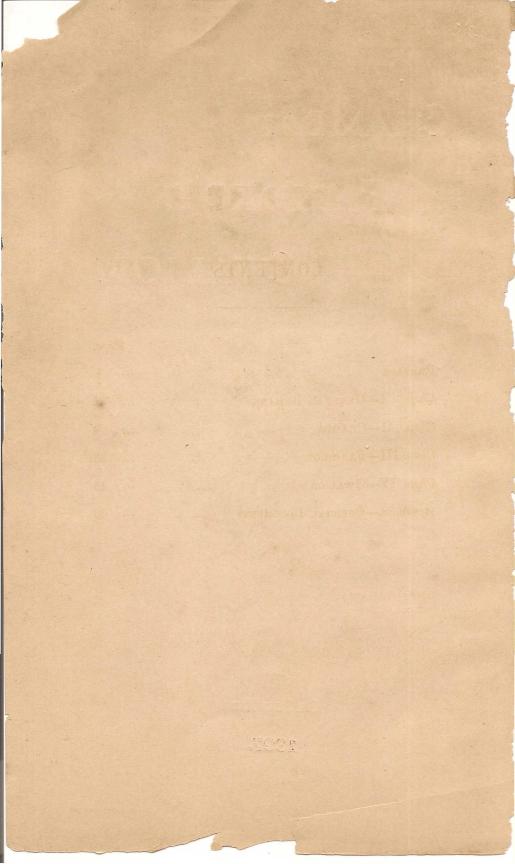
9 pies
 1½ annas
 ½, ,
 1 rupee (grey)
 2 rupees
 3 ,,
 5 ,,

I append a list showing the stamps of all the six States of which fewest have been printed, in inverse order of quantities supplied. Of course this list does not necessary indicate comparative rarity, as a larger proportion of stamps recently printed has fallen into the hands of philatelists than of the earlier issues. *Ordinary* stamps are to be understood unless the contrary is stated. The numbers after each stamp show the quantity printed. In the case of Gwalior, these numbers are approximate only.

JHIND	3 rupees		 	192
1. JHIND ,,	5 "		 	192
NABHA	8 annas	1st variety	 	240
2. NABHA ,,	1 rupee,	,, ,,	 	240

	3.	JHIND	2 rupees .		· .	. 288
	4.	PATIALA	5 ,,			. 300
	5.	GWALIOR	1 rupee, 3rd va	riety, short	vernacular	. 345
	6.	PATIALA	3 rupees		••	. 400
	7.	GWALIOR	6 annas, 1st var	riety, long v	ernacular	. 445
	0	(NABHA)	1 rupee, 2nd va	riety		. 450
	8.	PATIALA	2 rupees .			. 450
		PUTTIALLA	8 annas, 1st va	riety .		. 480
	9.	JHIND	1 rupee "	,,		. 480
	0,	JHIND	8 annas "	,,		. 480
		,,	1 rupee "	,,		. 480
1	0.	GWALIOR	4 annas, 1st var	riety, long v	vernacular	. 485
1						
1	1.	,,	9 pies, 3rd	99 99	,,	. 525
			9 pies, 3rd 2 rupees .	"	,,	. 525
				» »	" ••	
		,, (NABHA ,, ,,	2 rupees .	» »	" "	. 576
]	12	NABHA " "	2 rupees			. 576 . 576
]	12		2 rupees			. 576 . 576 . 576
]	12	NABHA " "	2 rupees	iety, long ve	 ernacular	. 576 . 576 . 576 . 580
]	13.	(NABHA "," GWALIOR "," GWALIOR	2 rupees	iety, long ve	 ernacular	. 576 . 576 . 576 . 580
]	13.	(NABHA "," GWALIOR	2 rupees 3 ,, 5 ,, 8 annas, 1st var. 1 rupee ,, 3 annas, 1st var.	iety, long ve	 ernacular	. 576 . 576 . 576 . 580 . 580

16.	GWALIOR	12	anna	s, 3r	d variety	, short vern	acular	675
	JEEND	$\frac{1}{2}$	anna			•••	•••	720
	,,	$\frac{1}{2}$	,,	Serv	ice			720
	"	1	,,					720
17.	,,	1	,,	Serv	rice			720
17.	,,	2	annas	3				720
	"	2	,,	Ser	vice			720
	,,	8	,,					720
	,,	1	rupee					720
18.	GWALIOR	$1\frac{1}{2}$	annas	s, 1st	variety,	long verna	eular	750
19.	NABHA	8	,,	2nd	variety			850
20.	JEEND	4	,,					960
0.1	JHIND	1	rupee	, 2nd	l variety	JAI")	916	1000
21.	SIHIND NABHA	1	,,	3rd	variety	(Service)	•••	1000



# HPPERDIX.

OFFICIAL DOCUMENTS.

# 1. Postal Aotice.

Correspondence, Money Orders, &c., exchanged with the Nabha and Jhind States.

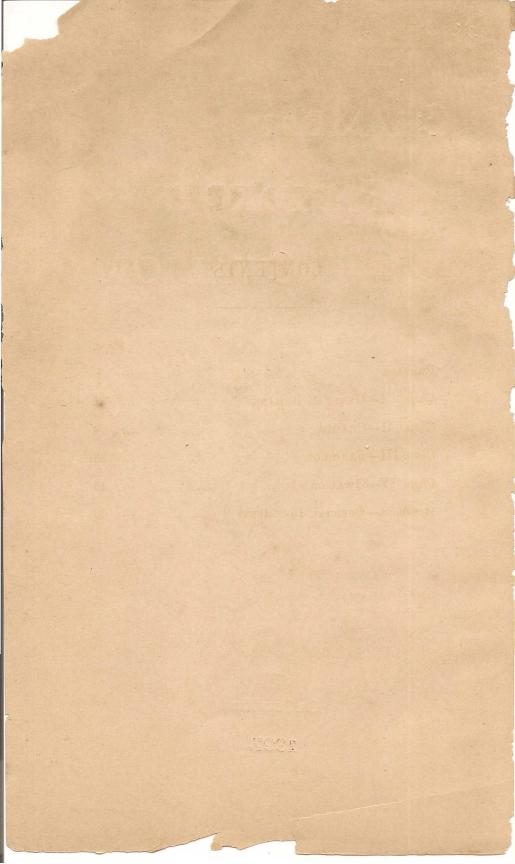
A Postal Convention, to come into force from 1st July 1885, having been concluded with the Nabha and Jhind States, correspondence of all kinds (including insured and value-payable articles), parcels, money orders and India postal notes may be exchanged from that date between Imperial Post Offices in British India and Post Offices in those States.

- 2. The inland rates of postage and conditions relating to registered, insured, and value-payable articles will apply to articles posted in British India for transmission to the Nabha and Jhind States and *vice versa*. The prepayment of parcel postage is, however, compulsory in both directions.
- 3. Money orders may be exchanged under the inland money order rates and conditions.
- 4. India postal notes sold by the Nabha and Jhind State Post Offices will be payable in British India, and notes sold by Imperial Post Offices will be payable in the Nabha and Jhind States, under the inland rates and conditions.

Simla: H. E. M. JAMES,

The 22nd June 1885. Offg. Director-General of the Post

Office of India.



# 11. Postal Aotice.

Correspondence, Money Orders, &c., exchanged with the Patiala State.

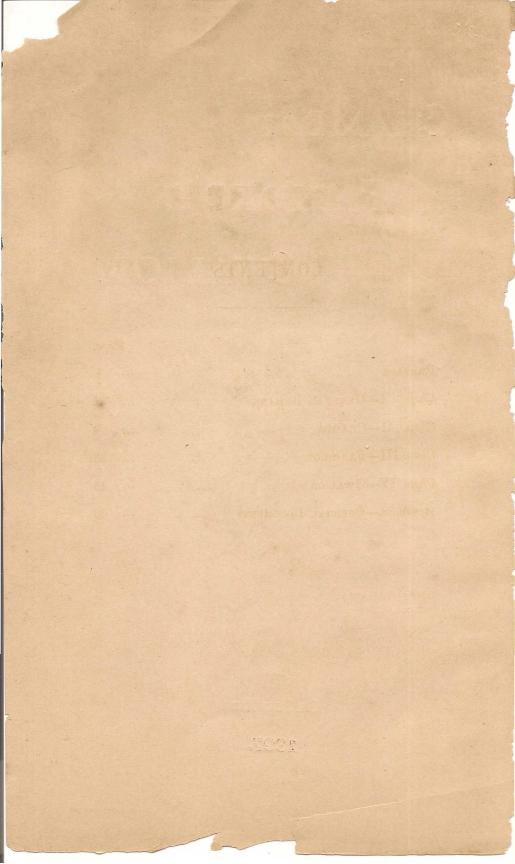
- A Postal Convention, to come into force from 1st October 1884, having been concluded with the Patiala State, correspondence of all kinds including insured and value payable articles), parcels, money orders, and India postal notes may be exchanged from that date between Imperial Post Offices in British India and Post Offices in that State.
- 2. The inland rates of postage and conditions relating to registered, insured, and value-payable articles will apply to articles posted in British India for transmission to the Patiala State and *vice versa*. The prepayment of parcel postage is, however, compulsory in both directions.
- 3. Money orders may be exchanged under the inland money order rates and conditions.
- 4. India postal notes sold by Patiala State Post Offices will be payable in British India and notes sold by Imperial Post Offices will be payable in the Patiala State under the inland rates and conditions.

Simla:

A. U. FANSHAWE,

The 25th September 1884. Offg. Director-General of the

Post Office of India.



III. Copy of a letter No. 25, dated 9th August 1883, from Sirdar Sir Deva Singh, K. C. S. I. President, Council of Regency, Patiala, to Rai Bahadur Daulat Ram, Superintendent of Mails, Simla Division.

In reply to your letter dated 8th instant I have the pleasure to inform you that the agreement of arrangement between the Imperial Post of India and the Patiala State, the copy of which was sent by you after the conversation on the subject, is approved of by the Council of Regency.

IV. Copy of a letter No. 5934 dated 29th August 1883, from the Director General of the Post Office of India to the Superintendent of Stamps, Calcutta.

I beg to inform you that arrangements are about to be completed with the Patiala State under which Imperial postage labels, embossed envelopes and post cards overprinted with the words

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will be used to pay postage on articles posted in the state post office for delivery within the territories of the state or from any Imperial post offices in India.

\*The 4 anna envelope, 9 pie envelope, 9 pie label and Foreign post cards being used exclusively to pay foreign postage should be excluded. 2. I would be glad if you would kindly cause specimen labels of every value, embossed envelopes and Inland post cards\*

to be prepared with the words

visible.

#### "PATIALA STATE"

overprinted on them and send them for inspection and approval to this office.

- 3. The words "Patiala" and "State" should be overprinted one above the other across the labels; Patiala being placed across the chin and immediately under the ear in the profile. The overprinting should, I think, be in red.
- V. Extract of a letter No. 2132 dated the 17th September 1883 from W. H. Ryland Esqr. Offg. Superintendent of Stamps, Calcutta, to the Director General of the Post Office of India.

With reference to your letter No. 5961 dated 30th ultimo, I have the honor to 1 Anna Inland Post Card enclose for your approval the Anna envelope 1 new series Anna envelope 1 old series stamps noted in the margin, Anna label 1 new series overprinted with the words  $1\frac{1}{2}$   $\frac{1}{2}$   $\frac{1}{3}$ "Patiala State". I would ,, ,, suggest that the type may be old series ,, somewhat smaller so as not to 1 new series disfigure the Queen's head and that in the brown stamps blue ink may be used to be better VI. Copy of a demi-official letter dated 21st September 1883, from E. R. Douglas Esqr. Deputy Director General of the Post Office of India, to Rai Sundar Lal\_Bahadur, Superintendent, Postal Workshop, Aligarh.

	Posta	ge labels.
$\frac{1}{2}$	Anna	1
1	,,	1
11	,,	1
2	Aanu	s 1
$1\frac{1}{2}$ 2 3	,,	1
4	,,	1
6	,,	1
8	,,	1
	En	velopes.
1	Rupee	1
1/2	Anna	1
Ĩ	,,	1
1 1 1 4	,,	post card

It is intended to overprint the words "Patiala State" on postage labels, post cards and envelopes when they are given to the Native State for use in its post offices. I had sample stamps done in Calcutta but they are not well done. I now apply to you to help me. Please look at the enclosed and return them.

The objection to the Calcutta stamps is that the letters are too thick. We require fine clear knife-edge impressions and I would be obliged if you would kindly get such a stamp made as soon as possible and send it to me. The size of the letters is correct. The words Patiala and State should be one over the other for impression on labels.

Then please make a second stamp with letters exactly similar only the words Patiala and State following each other for impression on envelopes and post cards.

The stamps should have no rim.

VII. Extract, paras 1 and 2, from a demi-official letter dated
7th October 1883, from Rai Sundar Lal Bahadur, Superintendent, Postal Workshop, Aligarh, to E. R. Douglas Esq.
Deputy Director General of the Post Office of India.

The stamps for overprinting the postage labels &c. for the Patiala State were just finished and brought to me for inspection yesterday when your telegram reached me calling for the same. To prevent delay I sent off the stamps to you at once and now enclose a post card and an envelope with an adhesive label containing their impressions.

The new stamps, though looking better than the Calcutta ones, are not, I am afraid, as fine as this workshop is able to produce. In your letter you said that the size of the letters in the Calcutta stamps was correct; and the stamp-cutter thinking that long letters when cut very thin would not look nice, cut them a little thicker.

VIII. Copy of a demi-official letter dated 10th October 1883, from E. R. Douglas Esq., Deputy Director General of the Post Office of India, to Rai Sundar Lal Bahadur, Superintendent, Postal Workshop, Aligarh.

Many thanks for the Patiala stamps you have sent me They are not, I am sorry to say, what is required. I have decided now to wait till I get to Calcutta and there arrange with the Superintendent of Printing. IX. Copy of a letter No. 761 H., dated Kalka, 30th October 1883, from the Superintendent of Mails, Simla Division, to the Director General of the Post Office of India.

I have the honor to forward a specimen half-anna embossed envelope marked A, having the words "Patiala State" printed thereon. The spelling of the word "Patiala" is wrong and should be as written by me, "Puttialla".

It would please the Patiala Durbar immensely if the Coat of Arms as per specimen on enclosure B was printed on the flap of all embossed envelopes as also on the left hand of the Patiala State Post cards—the spelling of the word "Patiala" being, of course, corrected.

The Patiala Durbar would like the words "Patiala State" on stamps printed as per specimen on enclosure C, but the words have unfortunately been printed incorrectly—the word "Patiala" should be printed in place of the word "State" and the latter in that of the former.

I may add that I would like to see the corrected specimens before a supply is ordered.

X. Copy of a letter No. 11641 dated 18th February 1884 from the Director General of the Post Office of India, to Rai Daulat Ram Bahadur, Superintendent of Mails, Simla Division.

I have the honor to forward specimens, as noted on the

\*  $\frac{1}{2}$  Anna adhesive postage label (blue) 2 specimens.  $\frac{1}{2}$  Anna embossed envelope (green stamp) 2 specimens.  $\frac{1}{4}$  Anna inland postcard 2 specimens.

margin,\* of Indian postage labels, embossed envelopes and post eards overprinted with the words "Patiala State" and to request that you will be good

enough to submit them for the approval of the President of the Council of Patiala in view to their being adopted in connection with the exchange of Correspondence between that State and the Imperial Post.

XI. Copy of a letter No. 1121 dated 6th March 1884 from the Superintendent of Mails, Simla Division, to the Director General of the Post Office of India.

In reply to your No. 11641 dated 18th ultimo I beg to inform you that I left Umballa for Patiala on the morning of the 28th February and on the same day submitted, for the approval of the Council of Regency, the specimens of Indian postage labels, embossed envelopes and post cards, received with your letter under reply. The President after some discussion said that a reply would be given next day and on my then calling upon him was informed that he would like to consult all the Durbaries before conveying final approval to the printing of the labels and desired that I should revisit Patiala on Tuesday next, the 4th March 1884.

I returned to Umballa the same day and went back to Patiala on Tuesday, the 4th instant. The President then informed me that the Council approved of the overprinting of the word, "Puttialla State" on postage labels, embossed envelopes and post cards facsimile to that on the enclosed postage label which was handed over to me by you at Calcutta.

The original reply of the President is enclosed.

XII. Copy of a letter dated 4th March 1884 from Sirdar Sir Deva Singh, K.C.S.I, President, Council of Regency, Patiala, to the Superintendent of Mails, Simla Division.

In reply to your letter No. 33A dated 4th instant I beg to inform you that the Council of Regency does not approve of the over-print of the words "Patiala State" on stamps, embossed envelopes as now presented by you.

The Council shall feel obliged if you will have all the above printed in the manner as per sample enclosed wherein the word "Puttialla" is in front and "State" at the back of the crown as shown and delivered by you before.

XIII. Copy of a letter No. 403 dated 18th April 1884 from the Director General of the Post Office of India, to the Superintendent of Stamps, Culcutta.

A Postal convention has been arranged between the Imperial Post Office and the Patiala State and in one of the Articles of the convention it is stipulated that the Government of India shall supply the Patiala state with Indian postage stamps, post cards and embossed envelopes at cost price. I have, therefore, the honor to request that you

Postage stamps (New Issues of 1883).
(To be overprinted "Puttialla State").

\[ \frac{1}{3} \text{ Anna} \quad \dots \quad 100 \quad sheets.} \]

1 \quad \dots \quad 25 \quad \dots \quad \dots \quad 25 \quad \dots \quad \quad \dots \q

2 Annas ... ··· 50 ,, (To be overprinted "Puttialla State Service").

Post cards and Embossed envelopes.

To be over-printed "Puttialla State.)

4 Anna inland post card No. 50,000  $\frac{1}{2}$  ,, embossed envelopes ,, 50,000

will be good enough to cause the Superintendent of Government Printing, Calcutta, to be supplied with the number of postage stamps of each denomination, post cards and embossed envelopes noted on the margin for the purpose of being

overprinted in the manner there specified. When the overprinted postage stamps, postcards and embossed envelopes are returned to you by the Government Press, they should be forwarded to this office with a memo showing the cost of manufacture plus the expense of overprinting the stamps etc. Information on the latter point can be obtained from the Superintendent of Government Printing. As the convention with the State of Patiala is expected to come into force within the next six weeks, I beg you will kindly hasten the supply of the stamps etc. in question as much as possible.

#### No. 404 dated 18-4-84.

Forwarded to the Superintendent of Government Printing, Calcutta for information and guidance with the request that he will state the probable date by which the over-printed stamps, etc., will be delivered to the Superintendent of Stamps. The words "Puttiala State" should be overprinted in red ink on either side of the Queen's head in the stamp as shown in enclosed postage stamp. In the service stamps the same words should be similarly overprinted with the addition of the word "Service" in black ink across the stamp as in the second specimen enclosed. The overprinting on the half-anna embossed envelope and \(\frac{1}{4}\) anna post card should be similar to the non-service stamps, except that in the post card the words "Puttiala State" should be overprinted in dark blue ink.

XIV. Copy of a letter No. 1151 dated 2nd September 1885 from the Postmaster General, Puttialla State, to the Superintendent of Mails, Simla Division.

In forwarding an anna postage label for your perusal, I beg to bring to your notice that on every sheet of one anna stamp there is a misprint on the last stamp in the second row from the bottom being spelt Auttialla instead of Puttialla and I beg to enquire whether these stamps be returned to the Superintendent of Stamps for correction.

#### No. 36.

Dated Kalka the 17th September 1885.

Copy with stamp forwarded to the Director General of Post Office for favour of orders,

#### Sd. DAULATRAM.

Superintendent of Mails and Post Offices,

Simla Division.

No.  $\frac{c}{7}$  dated the 29th September 1885.

In original to Superintendent of Government Printing, Calcutta, for inspection.

The Durbar will be informed that the stamps may be used.

### Sd. P. SHERIDAN,

Dy. D. G. P. O.

The type form has been corrected and care will be taken that the mistake is not repeated.

Sd. W. H. RYLAND.

30-9-85.

Superintendent of Stamps.

XV. Copy of a letter No. 5414 dated 6th August 1890 from the Director General of the Post Office of India to the Superintendent, Government Printing.

I have the honor to request that in future issues of stamps required by the Patiala State the overprinting of the name may be spelt as above instead of the old spelling Puttialla.

XVI. Extract (para 1) from a letter No. 616C dated 28th May 1897 from the Director General of the Post Office of India to the Postmaster General, Punjab.

With reference to your letter No. 180/E1 dated 7th May 1897, I have the honor to request that you will be good enough to explain to the Patiala Durbar that stamps of a higher value than Re. 1 are not supplied in British India to any but the very largest offices, and that it does not appear to the Director General necessary that such stamps should be issued for use in the Patiala State Post Office.

